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SECOND AMERICAN STEAMER STRIKES MINE AND IS LOST

Carib Sunk in German Waters After Coming in Contact With Mine.

CREW'S FATE UNKNOWN

Vessel Formerly the Property of the Clyde Line Steamship Company.

Another Norwegian Steamer is Also Lost.

London, Feb. 23.—Another American steamer — the Carib — has been destroyed by a mine off the German coast, while a third Norwegian—the Regin—has been torpedoed or destroyed by a mine off Dover. All the Regin's crew were saved by British destroyers, and although not stated in the dispatches from Berlin, it is believed the crew of the Carib also escaped.

Thus neutral States continue to be the greatest sufferers from the mine and submarine warfare. It is considered possible, however, that one or two British steamers have suffered a similar fate, one being overdue and another being reported blown up off Rye.

As a result of the activity of German submarines, the British admiralty has announced that the Irish and North Channels have been restricted for navigation from today.

In the case of a few Scandinavian, Dutch and British steamers, the crews have refused to sail where voyages were to include the war zone, but in each instance substitutes were found. The crew of the British steamer Darleydale, which has grain for the Belgium relief commission, refused to accompany the ship from Falmouth to Rotterdam, but men were found to take their places. Otherwise, the trade of the country is going on much as usual, and ship masters continue to express confidence that the German submarines cannot interfere seriously with commerce.

FATE OF CREW UNKNOWN

Report of Sinking of Carib Says Nothing as to Rescue of Her Crew

Berlin, Feb. 23, via London—The American steamer Carib has gone to the bottom off the German coast in the North sea as a result of striking a mine.

At the time of the disaster the Carib was not using the route laid down in the German marine instructions.

Formerly Clyde Steamer

New York, Feb. 23.—The Carib formerly was owned by the Clyde Line and was recently sold by them to Walker Armstrong and Company of Savannah She was of 2,280 tons burden and left Charleston January 27 for Bremen with a cargo of cotton. She had a capacity of 4600 bales.

Her crew of 30 men, commanded by Captain E. L. Cole, which manned the vessel at the time she was sold, was retained by the new owners, it was said at the Clyde Line offices.

The Carib was built in 1882 at Port Glasgow, Scotland. She was 288 feet long and 36 feet beam.

Many Times at Wilmington

The steamer Carib for many years saw service on the New York-Wilmington-Georgetown run and her master, Captain E. L. Cole has many friends in the city notably among whom is Mr. C. J. Becker, agent for the Clyde Line at this port. For 13 years the vessel called here every other week, being taken off this run in 1913 and replaced by the Cherokee, the passenger steamer that is making this port now.

The Carib visited this port last November, coming from Baltimore light for a special cargo of cotton to be carried to New York from which place it was trans-shipped to Germany.

Will Make Protest

Savannah, Ga., Feb. 23.—George F. Armstrong, vice president of Walker, Armstrong and company, owners of the Carib, said tonight that his company probably would make representations to the State Department at Washing-

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RELIEF COMMISSION DENIED DIRECT SUBSIDY BY ENGLAND ASKED FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir Edward Grey Addresses Letter to Herbert C. Hoover, the Chairman of the Commission, Course Taken Because Germany Has Refused to Stop Cash Requisitions in Belgium—England Contributed $500,000.

London, Feb. 23.—Sir Edward Grey, British foreign secretary, has directed a letter to Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the American Belgian Relief Commission, declining to give a direct subsidy to the Commission for Relief in Belgium. It is alleged that this course has been taken because Germany has refused to stop cash requisitions in Belgium.

The letter is dated February 22, and says:

"Dear Mr. Hoover:—Your return from Germany and the information you have given me as to the result of your journey afford me the opportunity to sum up the negotiations which passed between the Commission for Relief in Belgium and His Majesty's government in reply to the various letters you have written me.

"When the work of the commission was originally set on foot His Majesty's government agreed that all food supplies from neutral countries through the commission should pass into Belgium without interruption for distribution among the Belgian people under guarantees given by the German government to the commission.

Gave Half Million Dollars.

"His Majesty's government also contributed 100,000 pounds ($500,000) to the commission. This sum has been supplemented by grants of money from Canada, Australia and New Zealand.

"You represented to us, however, that such grants were quite inadequate to your needs since your expenditure for foodstuffs distributed in pure charity amounted to between 400,000 pounds $2,000,000) and 500,000 pounds, $2,500,000) monthly. You therefore asked for a monthly subvention from our government to supplement the very generous private contributions which you are receiving from the American public.

"We did not see our way to accede to your request. Indeed, for some time we have regarded the whole project of the distribution of food in Belgium with some doubt in view of the action of the German authorities.

"While respecting the food actually imported by you they did not until December accede to your representations regarding the cessation of requisitions for the use of the German army of supplies of native food remaining available for the civil population of Belgium. They even carried away cattle and cereals from Belgium into Germany.

Heavy Tax on Belgium.

"They also levied large monetary contributions in Belgium. These exactions have now culminated in a levy of the sum of 40,000,000 francs ($8,000,000) a month for the whole country.

"It was evident that if under such conditions the British government undertook through your commission to supply money and food to the Belgian population the only result would be an equivalent diminution of the food and supplies already there. The British government, in fact, would be facilitating the feeding and paying for the maintenance of the German army.

"Under these conditions it was impossible for our government to make a direct grant to the commission. Further I was able to inform you last month that His Majesty's government would grant the commission a monthly subvention to enable it to carry on its work, on condition that the German government would undertake to cease all requisitions for food of any kind and all levies and contributions of any kind whatever in Belgium, with the exception, of course, of such taxation of the people as is admitted under The Hague convention.

Turned Down at Berlin.

"I now understand that during your recent visit to Berlin you informed the German government of the exact position of affairs, but that while they consented to stop all requisitions for food in the zone of occupation east of Ghent they refused to consider the cessation of their pecuniary exactions, and especially the levy of 40,000,000 francs a month, which they apparently intend to continue.

"Solely on account of this attitude on the part of the German government the proposed arrangement between His Majesty's government and the commission must be regarded as having broken down. We shall, of course, maintain our general favorable attitude towards your work and our offer of financial support will remain open in the event of the German government receding from their present position with regard to their levies in Belgium.

"I cannot conclude this letter without expressing our appreciation of the generosity of the American people and of the admirable organization established by the commission which alone have made this work possible. The people of this country will, I am sure, recognize in your work a prominent example of the qualities of efficiency and public spirit which distinguish the many neutral services being rendered by Americans in Europe at the present time.

(Signed) "E. GREY."

Hoover Makes Statement.

Mr. Hoover, in reply to the letter, issued this statement tonight:

"The commission deeply regrets that its hopes again have been disappointed in finding some lack of accommodation between the belligerents by which the financing of its most difficult section, that is, the benevolent side of the commission's work, would have been in a great measure assured. The failure of this particular negotiation does not alter the fact that 7,000,000 people in Belgium must be fed nor that there are 1,500,000 absolutely destitute people in the country, nor that the number of destitute people will increase by 250,000 before the next harvest.

"The commission took up its task because both sides denied responsibility for feeding the nation, and we always have been confident that sooner or later some basis of general accommodation could be arrived at between the conflicting powers. Although we have received much direct and indirect help from all the belligerents in our work, we started our work originally with little resistence except faith that the world could not and would not allow these people to die. We do not purpose to lay down our burden simply because no remedy actually is in sight.

Solution is Certain.

"The very immensity of the problem itself must yet bring a solution.

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HOUSE FOR STATE ROAD COMMISSION

Several Important New Bills Introduced in Legislature.

MANY "LOCALS" PASSED

Dr. Carr Would Prohibit Girls Under 18 Working in Factories at Night—Prompt Refrigerator Car Service—Cotton Graders

(Special Star Telegram)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb, 23.—In the House today Representative Carr introduced a bill to prohibit girls under 18 years old working in factories at night; also a bill to require railroads to furnish refrigerator cars within one day after application is made.

A bill by Valentine would require prompt and regular employment for hosiery mill employees.

The House launched upon a second long discussion of the Cameron highway commission bill, which finally passed with the appropriation cut from $30,000 to $10,000.

The Senate today elected W. M. McNairy, of McDowell, engrossing clerk to succeed the lamented Will Aycock, who lost his life in the accident that so seriously injured Speaker Wooten. He was nominated by Senator Giles and seconded by Senators Weaver and Folk.

The Senate passed a great number of local bills before going in committee of the whole to resume consideration of the revenue bill.

Senator McNider introduced a bill to prevent railroads from issuing transportation to newspapers in exchange for advertising.

A bill by Senator Gilliam would provide expert cotton graders in this State.

Senator Weaver procured the resetting of his child labor bill for consideration as a special order for Friday morning, the fight being for provision to be made for one or more factory inspectors.

The Senate in considering the revenue bill voted down all amendments offered, adopting sections 32 to 50 without change.

J. O. Carr Bill Tabled.

Senator Ward made a motion that was carried today in the Senate tabling the Stacy bill for the re-appointment of J. O. Carr as a member of the New Hanover county school board. This was done as a "senatorial courtesy" for Senator Cooper, whose bill for the appointment of the committeeman of his choice was tabled some time ago by Mr. Stacy in the House.

The House held a session of less than an hour tonight and passed a score of

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SPEAKER WOOTEN HAS BEST DAY YET

(Special Star Telegram)

Raleigh, N. C. Feb, 23.—Dr. H. A. Royster said tonight of the condition of Speaker Wooten that he had by odds the best day yet and his condition is much more hopeful, although danger of complications will not be past for some days yet. He had much less fever today.

VON HINDENBURG'S RECENT SUCCESS IN EAST PRUSSIA IS REPORTED AS COMPLETE

Associated Press Correspondent Says That 60,000 Out of 150,000 Russians Engaged in Battle of Four Days' Duration Are Prisoners in German Hands—Large Number of Remnants of Army Surrounded

Suwalki, Poland, Feb. 20, via Berlin and London, Feb. 23.—The German forces under Field Marshal Von Hindenburg, by hard fighting and extraordinary marches, inflicted such a striking defeat on the Russians opposed to them in the recent battle of the Mazurian lakes country that the Russian remnants are a negligible quantity in the operations now in progress. The Russians killed and wounded in the four days' fighting are estimated at 30,000 men. Over 60,000 Russians out of a total of 150,000 engaged ed are prisoners in German hands.

The fighting has been described as the February campaign in East Prussia and North Poland, and it is regarded here as a second Tannenburg.

Artillery Carried Off.

The Russians, composing the tenth army, were commanded by General Sievers. By skilful use of the railroads at his disposal and by the sacrifice of entire battalions in order to bring off a few guns, he succeeded in saving a greater part of his artillery but no fewer than 60,000 of his 150,000 men already are counted among the German prisoners, while the Russians killed and wounded in the four days' battle and the subsequent running fights are estimated at 30,000 men.

In Suwalki there could be heard yesterday and today the sound of artillery from a swampy region to the southeast where an isolated Russian division, perhaps 10,000 strong, has been completely surrounded but still is offering resistance. Several thousand more Russians probably still remain in small scattered bands or are wandering as stragglers within the ring which the German troops have now closed around the woods and swamps between Suwalki, Augustowo and the German frontier, but the capture of these wanderers is expected here and is regarded as merely an incident in a campaign to which the great success is called only the prelude.

Think Army is Doomed.

German military men at Suwalki do not believe General Sievers will be able to bring one of his troops safely behind the fortress at Grodno—a safety which may not be of long duration.

The above statements may seem to be exaggerated, but a correspondent of the Associated Press, motoring along the line of the Russian retreat over roads deep in snow and through a desolate and swampy country, gained an impression of complete defeat and demoralization which scarcely can be conveyed in words. Abandoned guns and automobiles; wrecked and overturned wagons, sledges and ammunition caissons encumbered the way. Rifles, blankets, knapsacks and other equipment had been thrown away by the fleeing Russians. Dead horses and an occasional fallen soldier were everywhere along the roadside.

At street corners in Suwalki, Augustowo, Lyck and other towns are great heaps of abandoned rifles and baqonets. Large bands of Russian prisoners, many of whom surrendered without firing a shot, were encountered alng the way. The Russians in retreat seem t have had nly time enough to burn the houses on the German side of the frontier and destroy the live stock which they were unable to drive away. This they did so thoroughly that in the 17 mile ride from Lyck to the frontier village of Prostken only one house with a roof on it was seen. The Russian part of Prostken and the Russian villages beyond had not been touched.

Characterized as Rabbit Drive.

The first phase of the campaign, the phase resulting in the destruction of the Russian Northern army—may be compared to a gigantic rabbit drive, or surround in which men were the prey.

While the attention of the Russians was concentrated on the Warsaw line, Field Marshal Von Hindenburg, quietly assembling an overwhelming force in East Prussia behind the Mazurian lakes, suddenly launched it in two columns against General Sieverst.

One column drove in from the south and threw back the Russians who for months had been besieging the lake gateways to East Prussia and the other column from the north swung round to the eastward and southward, aiming to join the southern German column and cut off the retreat of the Russians.

The two wings closed to the east of Sunwalki and Augustowo only a few hours too late to catch the entire army. Most of the units of the Russian force, however, were caught.

Nature Aided Russians.

The delay which enabled the remnant to escape was due to nature. The line of advance of the southern column lay through the belts of swamps which form a natural defense of the Russian frontier. It is almost without roads and troops attempting to use the cross country trails became almost hopelessly bogged. The correspondent saw columns of infantry, many of whom had passed through mires more than ankle deep.

"Nature," said one German commander to the correspondent, "always helped the Russians. Two days of hard frost and we should have had every man."

The correspondent accompanied the right wing of the German armies and it was to these troops that the heaviest part of the fighting fell. The left wing sweeping down from the north was called upon to accomplish marches of 40 miles daily in pursuit of the Russians.

The battle in the south was of a unique character. Again nature aided the Russians. It was fought in a driving snow storm, a fierce cutting wind driving the flawes into the faces and eyes of the advancing Germans until they could scarcely see.

Rifles Choked With Snow.

When the Germans came to grips with the Russians they found their rifles so covered and choked with ice and snow that the weapons could not be fired. The troops, and these were young troops of one of the newly formed corps, were left only their bayonets, but they stuck to their work despite heavy losses.

The Russians were assuming the offensive when artillery arrived just in time and turned the scale. The troops of this column pressed forward along the fairway, only a dozen miles wide, between the Mazurian lakes and the Russian frontier, driving the Russians

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WEATHER CHECKS BOMBARDMENT OF THE DARDANELLES

Gale Blowing Interferes With Shelling of Turkish Strongholds.

CONDITIONS ON LAND

Allies in West Stay Their Offensive Against German Positions.

Believe the Austro-German Offensive Checked.

London, Feb. 23.—The threatened blockade of the British Isles by the German submarine fleet, which has had such small effect thus far, is beginning to give way in the public interest to military operations, and the bombardment of the Dardanelles forts by the Allied fleet.

It appears from the official report issued by the admiralty tonight that the continuation of the operations against the Dardanelles has been delayed by unfavorable weather, but there still is no news of the effect of Saturday's bombardment, which was in progress when the first report was published.

On land the Allies in the West again have stayed their offensive, which had as its object the relieving of the pressure on Russia. The belief in military circles here is that Russia has checked the Austro-German offensive operations at either end of the long line, and that, therefore, the necessity no longer existed for the Allies to make their effort before they were fully prepared.

Fighting Near Coast.

There, however, has been some fighting near the coast, at Ypres, in the Champagne district, where the French are attempting to push the Germans back from Rheims and relieve that city from the bombardment which it has again undergone, and in the Woevre and Vosges districts. At none of these points has a battle of any dimensions been fought, although the operations in Alsace, taken as a whole, are of considerable importance.

Fighting is going on along virtually the entire Russian front but the reports of the general staffs give little or no information of the progress of the campaign. The Russians who have been strongly reinforced since their defeat in East Prussia have reached their prepared positions between the fortresses of the provinces of Vilna and Grodno and offering strong resistance to the Germans who are greatly hampered b ythe terrible conditions of the roads.

To the south of the lower Vistula the Russians attacked the Germans on the Rawka river, but according to the German account they were repulsed. They also are active in Western Galicia while in the Carpathians the long drawn out battles continue without either side gaining definite advantage. It is reported that the Germans have sent further reinforcements to this region which is likely because, for political reasons, the Russians must be kept out of Hungary.

Russians Make Stand.

The Russians too, are making a stand in the crown land of Bukowina and correspondents on the Rumanian frontier report that the Austrians who advanced beyond Czernowitz, the capital have been driven back to that city. A big battle, however, is expected to take place to the northeast of Czernowitz.

England learned for the first time today of the riots at Singapore. Indian troops, because of dissatisfaction with recent promotions, refused to obey orders. The fighting must have been serious, as six British officers and 15 men were killed and nine wounded, and 14 civilians, including one woman, were killed. Some of the rioters also were killed and a large number surrendered or were captured.

Germans from the Emperor down, have been put on rations so far as bread is concerned, the state regulations regarding the bread supply having come into effect. Every person in Germany must produce a "bread card" which is good for four pounds of bread weekly, before being able to make a purchase, and even the Emperor's palace is affected by the order.

AUSTRO-GERMANS REPULSED.

Petrograd Gives Out Statement Concerning Situation in East.

Petrograd, Feb. 23.—Repulse of the Austrians and Germans at several points on the Eastern front are claimed by the Russians in an official communication issued last night. It is

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GEORGIA DEFENDS ACTION OF COURT

Brief Filed in Answer to One Submitted by Frank.

BEFORE SUPREME COURT

Action Taken by Attorney General Declares Frank's Lawyers Ask for Release on Only one Ground—Another Side to Matter

Washington, Feb, 23.—Defending Georgia's reputation for proper administration of justice, Attorney General Warren Grice, of that state today filed in the Supreme court a brief arguing against Leo M. Frank's petition for reversal of the Georgia Federal court's ruling against his release on a habeas corpus writ. Frank is under death sentence for the murder of Mary Phagan, an Atlanta factory girl.

The brief declares a writ of habeas corpus cannot be used "to overturn virtually" Frank's conviction in a state court without submitting important portions of the record upon which the conviction was based.

It points out that Frank's attorneys ask his release solely on allegations of mob violence during his trial, and on his absence from the court room when the verdict was returned.

"The Supreme court of Georgia is second to that of no state in according trials free from hostile demonstrations," the brief declares.

Court Position Defended

The attorney general defends the position taken by the Georgia state courts that Frank should have raised the points of mob violence and absence from court on his motion for a new trial, instead of waiting to incorporate

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SENATE AND HOUSE ARE WORKING FAST

Each Removes One Appropriation Bill From Calendar.

DEBATE COAST DEFENSE

House Spent Day in Debate Before Passing $6,000,000 Fortifications Bill—Senate Takes Up Postoffice Appropriations.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Without a dissenting vote the Senate today passed the army appropriation bill carrying approximately $103,000,000, while the House passed the $6,000,000 fortifications bill.

The only debate on the army bill related to action of the Senate committee in striking out of the House bill a provision which would prohibit the use of stop watches and other so-called scientific shop management methods in government plants and deny appropriations for payment of bonuses to employes. Senator Hughes, Martine and others urged restoration of the provision, while Senator Root made an appeal for the rewarding of ambition. The committee was sustained.

An all day discussion of the national defense preceded the passage of the fortifications bill in the House. Representative Sherley, of Kentucky, in charge of the measure, declared there was no danger of American fortifications being destroyed by a hostil fleet as a fleet of the enemy would not seek to reduce fortresses if it had control of the sea and would not waste ammunition shooting from a range of 21,000 yards.

Coast Defenses O. K.

Mr. Sherley admitted that there

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SPECULATION NOT CAUSE OF ADVANCE

Wheat and Bread Prices Will Not Cause Suffering.

DECLARES C. H. CANBY

President of the Chicago Board of Trade Testifies in New York Investigation of High Prices—Predicts a Surplus.

New York, Feb. 23. — The recent increases in the cost of wheat bread and flour will not cause suffering among the poor, in the opinion of C. H. Canby, president of the Chicago Board of Trade, who testified today at the investigation of the New York state attorney general into the causes of this increase. The witness also expressed the belief that there will be a surplus of wheat at the end of the crop year, June 30th.

"The poor will not stop eating bread because it is raised in price one cent a loaf," asserted Mr. Canby, "but they will economize. In a country like the United States, where millions are spent for chewing gum and five cent cigars, I fail to see how it can be disturbed by a penny rise in the price of foodstuffs."

The witness characterized as "moonshine" the impression that any individual or group controlled the wheat market or any other commodity market. It seemed inconceivable to him that such a situation should ever arise. Elimination of speculation in commodity markets would not benefit the producer and the consumer, he maintained.

Speculation or Monopoly.

"Not only will the producer be injured, but the consumer also, if speculation is killed," he asserted. "The first result of such a course would be

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WATERWAYS TO GET BUT LITTLE MONEY

And That to be Appropriated in Lump Sum, as Before.

WILMINGTON FIGURES

Presented by Senator Fletcher—Burton Would Cut North Carolina Allowance in Half—Bill Against Liquor Advertising.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 23.—If any appropriations are made for river and harbor work during the present session of Congress they will have to be made in a lump sum as was the case with the last bill. This would give the board of army engineers the privilege of saying where the money must be used instead of Congress directing its disbursement. This became certain today when it was stated that Senator Burton would filibuster the bill to death unless he is allowed to dictate the amount to be appropriated and specify how it shall be used.

Senator Simmons said today that so far as he was concerned he would not agree to Burton's proposition. Therefore, it is assumed that only a small amount will be appropriated and the amounts will be disbursed in accordance with the ideas of the army engineers.

Burton's plan, as outlined to the commerce committee, would slice the North Carolina appropriations in half He would even deprive the lower and upper Cape Fear of enough money to maintain projects already adopted.

Wilmington Port Figures.

Senator Fletcher, who for the present is acting chairman of the commerce committee, made the following state-

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SECRET NOTES GO FROM WASHINGTON

Informal Communications to London and Berlin

SUGGESTIONS OFFERED

Greatest Secrecy as to What Notes Contain, but Known Not to be Answers to Recent Notes From Belligerents.

Washington, Feb. 23. — Proposals have been made informally by the United States to both Great Britain and Germany, suggesting a basis for an understanding on the subjects of foodstuffs for the civilian population of belligerents, and submarine warfare against merchant ships.

These proposals have been guarded with the utmost secrecy and officials have not revealed their nature because of the delicacy of the negotiations.

Coincident with the revelation tonight that a new move had been made by the Washington government, dispatches were received telling of the blowing up of a second American vessel, the steamship Carib, near the German coast.

The wreck of the first vessel, the Evelyn, was viewed by President Wilson as a tragic accident due to possible failure of the captain to heed the German admiralty's instructions respecting the location of mine fields. Officials tonight believed the Carib disaster was of a similar nature, though they had no official advices.

Proposals made to the belligerents, it is known, are of far-reaching importance. They were embodied in a confidential memorandum which both Ambassadors Page and Gerard were instructed to take up informally with

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AGAINST STATE-MADE FIRE INSURANCE RATES

Senate Committee Cuts "Kansas Act" from Seawell Bill.

To Report Favorably All But 11 Sections; Also Agents' Compensation Bill—Colonel Taylor and Others Heard.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 23.—After an extended open hearing and long executive session, the Senate committee on insurance tonight voted to cut out the 11 sections of the Seawell bill empowering the State Commissioner of Insurance to raise or lower fire insurance rates and to report the remainder of the bill, making various amendments to the State insurance laws, favorably. These sections cut out are the "Kansas act" that insurance companies insisted they could not operate under.

The committee heard Col. Walker Taylor, of Wilmington; Hon. T. C. Guthrie, of Charlotte, and J. Crawford Biggs, of Raleigh, the two last named from the viewpoint of the manufacturers and business and the danger to business interests if the leading insurance companies were to leave the State.

The committee reported favorably the Seawell bill providing the contingent fee system for agents' compensation and the further Seawell bill to amend the building laws of the State as applied to the Insurance Department.

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ment with reference to the Cape Fear in his report to the full committee:

"As a result of improvements, vessels coming to Wilmington are much larger than formerly, the average tonnage in 1886 being 421, while in 1913 the average was 1,508. This increase in tonnage has caused a corresponding decrease in freight rates on shipments by water."

Postoffice Fight.

R. F. Smith, of Benson, was here today to protest against the appointment of Len Stevens as postmaster at Benson. Mr. Smith wants J. G. Smith to have the place. Representative Pou has already recommended Stevens for the job. Smith conferred with Senators Overman and Simmons and Representative Pou. It is understood that no charges were preferred against Stevens but that Smith merely thought the man who bears his name would make a better postmaster.

Against Whiskey Ads.

Senator Bankhead and Representative Abercrombie will introduce in the Senate and House tomorrow a bill to prohibit the use of the mails to any newspaper which carries whiskey adv, if such newspapers circulate in dry territory. [illegible] will be introduced at the request of the Alabama legislature. Alabama already has a law which prohibits the sale of any paper which carries this class of advertising. It now wants a Federal law to apply to all dry territory.

N. C. Anti-Jug Bill.

The opinion of the best friends the prohibitionists have in Washington is that the North Carolina Legislature will make a grave mistake if the bill prohibiting the shipment of whiskey into the State is passed. These gentlemen contend that the Webb law meets all requirements, and that those really pushing the proposed "blue" law are not the real friends of prohibition. They contend that it is proposed to make the State so dry that either dispensaries or saloons will be the ultimate result. P. R. A.

SPECULATION NOT CAUSE OF ADVANCE

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the establishment of a monopoly. A monopoly cannot permit speculation—it fixes the price."

Mr. Canby admitted that as president of the Chicago Board of Trade, he had appealed to the Federal authorities last fall to limit the exportation of wheat.

Asked if this action was not due to "a desire on your part to depress the market because many of your members had been caught short of wheat," the witness denied he had had anything of the sort in mind. His appeal, he said, was made that the panicky condition of the market, due to the suddenly increased demand, might be ameliorated.

Questioned regarding speculation, he declared emphatically that although the board had experienced the largest volume of trade in its history since the war affected the price and exportation, he did not know of one of the members of the board who had speculated in wheat.

A detailed report of daily wheat shipments from Chicago for the years 1913 and 1914, was given by the witness, who explained that the board kept no record of the purchase and sale of wheat because much wheat is bought and sold while in transit. The government's system of computing wheat figures he termed "extremely faulty," because, he said, its agents who collected the figures rarely are farmers, and thus "the system cannot produce correct results."

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them in a petition to set aside the verdict and adds:

"We believe no case will be found in the books not in entire harmony with the positions assumed by the state in this case and on the other hand we do not believe that the contention of Frank could be enterealned without doing violence to well established principles of law already definitely laid down. And we believe that while it is essential to give every defendant all constitutional rights guaranteed him when they are not waived, still we also believe that for the good of society and in the interest of government and the due administration of the law, it is more important that there should be always timely presentation of such questions as here made".

The brief contends that Frank was bound by the action of his attorney in waiving his presence when the verdict was rendered.

"If the court must verify every move made by the attorney", it is argued, "the court would raise a suspicion in the client that the court mistrusted the lawyers."

COMMITTEE AGAINST 8 PER CENT INTEREST

Wilmington and Other Bankers Urge Passage of Bill.

Minority Favorable Report May Be Brought Into House—Messrs. C. E. Taylor and T. E. Cooper Among Those Heard

(Special Star Telegram)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb, 23.—The joint committees on finance and on banking met this afternoon and gave a hearing to a number of bankers who urged passage of the bill for authorizing 8 percent interest charges under special written contracts, and thereafter voted for an unfavorable report for the bill.

Those who made pleas for the bill were Chas, E. Taylor and T. E. Cooper, Wilmington; L. S. Covington, Rockingham, and Mr. Simmons, an attorney of Washington, N. C.

Mr. Taylor emphasized especially that if the Legislature would grant this change in the interest law it would mean the greatest power for bringing about commercial and general business development in 15 years and would attract much capital to the State that now seeks investment elsewhere.

There were two votes for favorable report of the bill in the joint committee and effort will be made to have a minority favorable report to get the bill on the floor of the House.

SECOND AMERICAN STEAMER STRIKES MINE AN DIS LOST

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ton concerning the sinking of the Carib in the North sea by a mine. He added that the ship was insured partly by the War Risk Bureau and partly by private companies.

Germany Tells Why

Berlin, Feb, 23. via London 24—The German admiralty has communicated a memorandum to Commander Walter R. Gherardi, the American naval attache pointing out that the destruction of the American steamers Evelyn and Carib was due to their not following the course prescribed by the German admiralty to a point northwest of Helgoland.

The memorandum reiterates the assurance of the German government as to the safety of the prescribed course.

Captain Smith, of the Evelyn has been asked for a report as to the lacality of the disaster. This report is expected to show whether the Evelyn wandered within the defensive German mine fields or whether she struck mines laid by a belligerent power other than Germany.

THINK SUBMARINE WRECKED

Germand Vessel Fired on French Steamer—Engaged by French.

Paris, Feb. 23. — A German submarine which for the past few days had been lying in the English channel in wait for steam packets plying between France and England, Monday night fired a torpedo at the steamer Victoria, while she was on the voyage from Boulogne to Folkestone, with a number of passengers, including some Americans. The captain of the Victoria, however, saw the wake made by the torpedo, and slowed down his vessel, and the torpedo passed harmlessly about 100 feet in front of her.

The French second light squadron was informed to keep a sharp lookout in the channel for the submarine.

The Minister of Marine announces that a torpedo boat belonging to the squadron sighted the submarine at 7:30 o'clock this morning, eight miles southsouthwest of Cape Alprech, near Boulogne, and immediately opened fire and scored several hits before the submarine was able to dive.

CREW OF STEAMER LANDED

British Collier Either Struck Mine or Was Torpedoed, is Report

New Haven, Eng., Feb, 23. (via London)—Eighteen members of the crew of the Cardiff steamer Dranksome Chine, a government collier, landed here this evening. Their vessel either struck a mine or was torpedoed in the English channel 20 miles southeast Beachy Head, about 2 o'clock this afternoon. The men say the captain and mate of the steamer are standing by the vessel which is badly damaged and awash.

WEATHER CHECKS BOMBARDMENT OF THE DARDANELLES

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stated that in Eastern Galicia, southeast of Stanislau, two Austrian brigades were driven off with the loss of 1,500 prisoners, including 20 officers and several machine guns. The communication follows:

"Fighting continues on the right bank of the Bobr and the Narew in isolated engagements. An encounter of secondary importance occurred near Grodno on the Lypskov road in which we attacked the Germans.

"The guns of the fortress were used actively and effectively in the fighting in the Ossowetz district. On the road from Lomsa we took Jedwabno after a fierce combat. The enemy took the offensive in considerable force in the Przasnysz region.

"We caoptured several villages on the road between Racionz and Plonsk, taking 500 German prisoners on the left bank of the Vistula.

"Attacks of the enemy on the north bank of the Pilica, in the district of Lopuszno were repulsed.

"It has been definitely learned that the Austrians suffered heavy losses at Zakliczyn in western Galicia on February 17th.

"After capturing the heights of Smolnika, east of Lupkow Pass in the Carpathians, our troops repulsed repeated counter attacks of the Austrians who reached a point within a few paces of our positions, but were forced back with very heavy losses.

"The Germans delivered four attacks against the height of Myto Kozlourka on the night of February 20th, but were driven back. We had carried the hill which was an important part of the enemy's position.

"We attacked the Austrians south of Stanislau in Eastern Galicia and drove back two brigades after a combat in which the bayonet sometimes was used. We took here 1,500 prisoners, including 20 officers and several machine guns."

SHIP FLORENCE PILE REPORTED DISABLED

Position 300 Miles East-Southeast of New York.

With Her Decks Awash and Rudder Out of Condition Steamer Unable to Proceed—Reported by Another Vessel at New York

New York, Feb, 23.—Captain Wawn, of the steamer Harpalyce, here today from Swansea, Wales, reported that on February 21 he spoke the steamship Florence Pile, bound from Norfolk for Queenstown with a cargo of grain, about 300 miles east—southeast of New York in distress. Owing to a heavy sea it was impossible to aid the vessel and after standing by until morning Captain Wawn decided to proceed here with all speed and ask that assistance be sent.

Captain Wawn said the Flarence Pile seemed in a bad way. The vessel had a heavy list to port and the rudder was slamming about. The sea was sweeping over the deck.

Captain Pearn, of the Pile, signalled that one of the crew had been lost overboard and that another had both legs broken and needed immediate medical assistance.

Captain Pearn requested Captain Wawn to make the Pile in tow, but this was impossible as the Harpalyce had no tow ropes aboard, her master said.

SENATE AND HOUSE ARE WORKING FAST

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might be danger of bombardment of some cities, but insisted that the cost of fortifying all coast cities would be too tremendous to consider. Representative Mann asked why Great Britain and the Allies having control of the sea did not bombard German fortifications.

"It is a good deal better for them to undertake to bottle up Germany's fleet," replied Mr. Sherley, "and control avenues of trade than to risk going up against the German fleet and fortifications and with almost a certainty that they would be unable to subdue them from the sea. In the Dardanelles it is different. They are there undertaking to attack those forts to get to a given place, but their success remains to be seen."

Representative Butler, of Pennsylvania, insisted that American trading ships should stay away from the "death zone" and that even the destruction of such vessels should not be permitted to involve the nation in war.

The House appropriations committee completed the general deficiency bill, the last of all the annual supply measures of Congress. The estimates covered in the bill aggregated $9,000,000 from which a considerable cut was made. The bill probably will be reported tomorrow.

After disposing of the army bill, the Senate began consideration of the postoffice appropriation measure carrying $317,945,869.

Would Buy Monticello

The House rules committee late today reported to the House a resolution for appropriation of $50,000 for the purchase of Monticello the Virginia estate of Thomas Jefferson. Chairman Henry announced he would call for its consideration at the earliest opportunity before Congress adjourns. Previously the rules committee voted to report a special rule for consideration of the measure.

The resolution would create a permanent Jefferson Memorial Commission, comprising President Wilson, Senators Martin, Reed, and Gallinger, Speaker Champ Clark and Representatives Hay and Mann to purchase Monticello and its contents which were the property of Thomas Jefferson "to the end that it may be owned and maintained by the government as a perpetual Jefferson Memorial".

SECRET NOTES GO FROM WASHINGTON

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the respective foreign offices at London and Berlin. The new communications are not replies to the notes of Germany and Great Britain, although they relate to the same subject. They constitute what is described in diplomacy as "informal inquiries" and frequently, if acceptable, become formal.

Much Speculation.

Speculation as to what the suggestions were was widespread in diplomatic quarters it was said. The belief most commonly held, was that the United States has proposed some form of supervision over the distribution of foodstuffs to the civilian population of Germany, either by American consul agents or American organizations.

Germany has offered to abandon her submarine warfare if assured that ships laden with foodstuffs for Germany will not be interrupted by Great Britain.

President Wilson discussed with his cabinet today the general situation produced by the declaration of a submarine war on merchant vessels and it was said later the replies from England and Germany to the informal representations would have a considerable bearing on the final course of the American government.

Earlier in the day the President indicated that he had not decided whether the notes received from Germany and Great Britain on the sea zones and the use of neutral flags required rejoinders.

Officials tonight spoke guardedly but with no concealment of their apprehensions over the situation which might develop if American lives were lost as a result of a submarine attack.

The Carib was the second ship insured by the government war risk insurance bureau. There was $235,000 on her cargo and $22,253 on her hull. With the loss on the Evelyn, the bureau probably will have to pay a total of $659,000 which about equals the sum collected to date in premiums.

Undoubtedly both cases will be the subject of civil suits for damages by the bureau.

SWEITZER AND OLSON LEADING AT CHICAGO.

As Democratic and Republican Candidates for Mayor—Primary.

Chicago, Feb. 23.—Carter H. Harrison, now completing his fifth term as mayor of Chicago, was defeated today for the Democratic nomination by Robert M. Sweitzer, clerk of Cook county. Sweitzer's plurality was estimated late tonight at more than 75,000.

NO RECOMMENDATION AS TO ANTI-JUG BILL

The Senate Committee Votes "Without Prejudice" Report.

After an Hour's Hearing, Committee Agrees to Let Bill Go to Senate Without Recommendation. Preamble Cut Out.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 23.—The Grier anti-jug bill, which has passed the House, fares badly with the Senate committee on propositions and grievances, a "without prejudice" report being agreed upon this afternoon after an hour's hearing. At the same time the committee strikes from the bill the preamble that sets out as fact that alcohol is a narcotic poison and specifying other alleged evil effects of drink.

The committee had a week ago tentatively agreed to report a substitute for the pending bill and when the committee met this afternoon Senator Gilliam lodged a motion that the committee sustain that decision, but the committee voted 5 to 4 against the motion. Then Senator McNeely moved to strike out the preamble and this was carried.

Then followed the motion to report the bill as amended without prejudice and this was carried after the meaning of the term "without prejudice" was much discussed and the explanation made that it means that the committee prefers to take no action and simply leave the whole matter up to the Senate to act without expression from the committee.

HOUSE FOR STATE ROADS COMMISSION

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purely local bills. This was the first night session.

Senate Proceedings

President Daughtridge convened the Senate at 10:30 o'clock.

There came from committees just 101 bills duly passed upon, most of them with favorable report, and therefore taking their places on the Senate calendar.

The MaRae bill for the establishment of a reformatory for fallen women was among the number, and it has favorable report from both the propositions and grievances and the appropriations committees.

The following new bills were introduced in the Senate:

Harding—Establish Community Home No. 1 for the aged and infirm in Washington, Tyrrell and other counties.

Ballou—Relative to the abolition and the restoration of the office of county treasurer.

McRackin—Allow the board of education of Columbus county to appoint trustees.

Harding—Amend the law as to the appointment of guardians of inebriates.

Muse—Relative to the public printing.

Hobgood—Relative to costs in criminal actions before justices of the peace.

Gilliam—Provide for expert cotton graders in North Carolina.

McNider—Prohibit newspapers from accepting transportation from railroads in exchange for advertising.

McNider—Give Corporation Commission the power to require railroads to build stations.

Ward—Provide for the enlargement of the Kinston graded school.

Ward—Grant new charter for LaGrange.

Nash—Require counties to support indigent pensioners.

Thompson—Pay certain pension warrants in Onslow county.

Passed Third Reading.

Bills passed final reading as follows:

Authorize bonds by Onslow county for roads.

Amend the Lenoir county road law.

Senator Weaver procured the setting of his child labor bill for Friday at noon as a special order.

Senator Giles placed in nomination W. M. McNairy, of McDowell county, for the office of engrossing clerk to the Senate to succeed the lamented William Aycock, who lost his life in the terrible automobile accident in which Speaker Wooten so nearly lost his life. The nomination was seconded by Senators Weaver and Polk. The election was unanimous.

The following additional bill passed final reading:

Amend the law as to stenographer in Brunswick county court.

The Senate spent an hour in committee of the whole on the revenue bill. Sections 32 to 50 were adopted without change except that the tax on soft drinks, pool rooms and bowling alleys was stricken out through efforts of Senator Snow and Senator Muse. Tri- and semi-weekly papers were included in newspaper contests. The Senate voted down an amendment to change the tax on bottling works.

The Senate adjourned to 10 o'clock Wednesday.

House Proceedings

The House convened at 10:30 o'clock this morning with Speaker Protem Bowie presiding.

New bills were introduced as follows:

Sellers—Authorize bonds by the town of Rowland.

Laughinghouse—Establish community homes in certain counties.

Brummitt—Establish and provide for the county of Jarvis.

Winborne—Protect owners of buildings.

Winborne—Establish the identity of deceased partners.

Mason—Amend the 1911 act to prevent infant blindness.

McKay—Amend the law as to cotton weighers in Harnett county.

Mintz—Relative to the disposal of dead animals.

Hutchinson—Compel fathers to support their legitimate children.

Grant—Protect oysters in Stump sound.

Douglass—Prohibit the manufacture of wine and cider and operation of pool rooms in Wendell.

Valentine—Require prompt and regular employment of hosiery mills employees.

Carawan—Exempt Pamlico county from the State drainage law.

Carawan—Prohibit the sale of soft drinks on Sunday in Pamlico county.

Benton—Protect birds in Columbus county.

Dean—Repeal the act relative to the Blue Ridge Railroad Co.

Hanes—Authorize the State Tax Commission to make an income tax investigation.

Coughenour—Provide for the removal of the State School for the Blind to Salisbury.

Gatling—Give the Corporation Commission greater control over railroads.

Carr—Prevent blindness in infancy. Amend the 1913 law relative to manufacturing establishments. Amend the law relative to freight rates.

Clark—Authorize bonds by Bladenboro.

Carr—Amend the charter of the town of Calypso, Duplin county.

Carr—Prohibit the working of girls under 18 years old in any manufacturing establishment between 7 P. M. and 6 A. M.

Carr—Require railroad companies to furnish refrigerator cars for the shipment of perishable freight within one day from 5 o'clock A. M. the day following such application.

Passed Third Reading

Bills passed final reading as follows:

Amend the Revisal as to poll tax in Southport.

Make banks custodians of certain funds.

Amend the charter of Wilmington.

Amend the charter of Clinton and issue sewerage bonds.

Repeal the charter of Shallotte and change the town limits.

Amend the New Hanover law as to salaries of officers.

Prohibit public drunkenness in Jones county.

Amend the salary system of Onslow.

Amend the primary law for Dare, Beaufort and other counties.

Allow transfer of game fund to general fund in Robeson county.

Prevent sale of wine within two miles of Union church, Watauga county.

The House resumed discussion of the Cameron highway commission bill as advocated by the North Carolina Good Roads Convention as left of yesterday. An amendment as offered by Vann, of Union, would make the $30,000 appropriation by the State contingent on availability of the Federal fund of $650,000 to be apportioned among the states. An amendment by Pegram, of Durham, would cut the appropriation to $10,000. Representative Nettles pleaded for the bill to pass for the $30,000 without regard to whether the Federal fund materialized or not.

Representative Hutchinson favored the bill with the $10,000 or the $15,000 amendment. He said far too much money has already been wasted in time taken in useless argument of the bill which should go through without opposition.

Representative Williams, of Cabarrus argued for his amendment eliminating the appropriation and the provision for engineers. He argued that the $60,000 for the two years was not to build a foot of road or fill a single mud hole, but seemed to him to be for creating offices. He argued that State institutions need money too bad to justify the appropriation. Mr. Williams insisted that with the world-wide financial depression and demand for economy was sufficient reason for turning down this proposed appropriation as it was large enough to materially relieve the pressing needs of the State institutions.

Representative Roberts, chairman of the finance committee, replied to Mr. Williams, saying that Williams was making this fight against the bill when he had not attended the committee meeting and, indeed, rarely attended the committee on appropriations at all. He said that so far as the State institutions are concerned that half of them now have balances in the State Treasury. He believed that the House would pass the bill in spite of the attack by the minority leader. Mr. Williams insisted that Mr. Roberts was mistaken about his not having been present when the bill was under consideration in committee. He admitted that he did not vote.

The House adopted the Mayo amendment for $15,000 appropriation, the Pegram amendment for $10,000 having been withdrawn. The second reading proceeded with the understanding that the amendment to make the appropriation $10,000 would be offered on the final reading. The vote on the Vann amendment to make the appropriation dependent on getting the Federal aid, brought a tie vote and Speaker Bowie broke the tie with a vote against the amendment. The bill then passed final reading by roll call vote of 69 to 31.

The House took recess to 8 o'clock tonight, when about a score of local bills were passed.

TO PALE, THIN PEOPLE.

Druggist J. Hicks Bunting Offers to Pay for Samose, if it Does Not Make Thin People Fat.

Pale, thin people are simply suffering from want of nourishment. They may eat enough but their food is not properly digested and does them no good.

Samose, the remarkable flesh forming food, should be used by all who are pale, weak and thin. It mingles with the food and aids assimilation, so that when taken for a short time, nature will soon assert her normal powers, and the food that is eaten will give strength and good flesh.

The woman who longs for rosy cheeks and the plumpness of beauty should use Samose. The man who wants to be strong and well and gain health and good flesh will find his desires accomplished by Samose.

Such remarkable results have followed the use of Samose that Druggist J. Hicks Bunting is willing to pay for the treatment if it does not give the desired results. He makes this offer generally and wants all who are thin, weak and out of health to get a box of Samose from him on those terms.

SOUTH CAROLINA EDITOR PASSES AT GOODLY AGE

Spartanburg, S. C., Feb. 23. — Captain Charles Petty, associate editor of the Spartanburg Journal, died here tonight at the age of 71.

For thirty-one years he edited the Carolina Spartan, and for the last five years has been an active member of the Journal staff.

Captain Petty served throughout the war between the States as an officer in the Thirteenth South Carolina regiment, was with Lee at Gettysburg and Appomattox. He was a member of the historic Wallace House, the South Carolina legislature that overthrew Republican rule in South Carolina in 1876, and made Wade Hampton governor.

Until ten days ago he was regularly at his desk in the newspaper office.

ELON COLLEGE WINS

Over Durham Y. M. C. A. in Fast Game of Basket Ball

(Special Star Correspondence)

Elon College, N. C., Feb, 23.—In a fast, snappy game Elon defeated the strong Durham Y. M. C. A. quint here last night, the score being 13 to 38 in Elon's favor. The score looks as if it might have been a walkover, but the facts were far different, the luck being with Elon. As usual McCauley, Elon's centre, pitched his team to larger victory by safety landing what seemed to the onlookers as a superfluous number of free chances.

MR. J. J. MATTHEWS DEAD.

Respected Citizen Passed Away at Home in City Last Night.

Many friends will regret to learn of the death of Mr. Junius James Matthews which occurred last night at 10 o'clock at his home, No. 1408 Market street. He was 61 years old. The remains will be taken to Magnolia this afternoon for the funeral and interment. Surviving him are his wife and one child and a sister, Mrs. Sabrah S. Stanfill, of Wilmington.

5c Twists

50c Drums of 11 Twists

PICNIC TWIST the mild, "no-come-back" CHEWING TOBACCO in the Sanitary Drum

HERE it is—the modern container for the finest, mildest twist chewing tobacco ever known in this section. A yellow drum printed in brown and red. It will be imitated. Every success is. *But* don't be misled. The taste of the tobacco—its mildness—are all its own.

"The Thinkers of the Country Are the Tobacco Chewers"—said one of the greatest thinkers this country ever produced.

Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co.

MOTHERS OF DELICATE CHILDREN

Should Read the Following Letter—Mrs. Slack's Story About Her Child's Recovery Is Entirely Reliable.

Palmyra, Pa.—"Three years ago my little girl had black measles which left her with a chronic cough and so awfully thin you could count all her ribs, and she coughed so much she had no appetite.

"Nothing we gave her seemed to help her at all until one day Mrs. Neibert told me how much good Vinol had done her little girl, so I decided to try it for my little one, and it has done her so much good she is hungry all the time, her cough is gone, she is stouter and more healthy in color and this is the first winter she has been able to play out in the snow, coasting and snow-balling without any ill effects."—Mrs. ALFRED SLACK, Palmyra, Pa.

We know Vinol will build up your little ones and make them healthy, strong and robust, therefore we ask parents of every frail and sickly child in this vicinity to try a bottle of Vinol, our delicious cod liver and iron tonic without oil.

If we can induce you to try a bottle of Vinol as a body-builder and strength-creator for your child, and you do not find it is all we claim, we will return your money on demand.

Robert R. Bellamy, druggist, Wilmington, N. C., and at leading drug stores everywhere.

RETIRING FROM BUSINESS

OUR ENTIRE STOCK IS NOW ON SALE AT AND BELOW COST.

MEN'S AND BOY'S CLOTHING, OVERCOATS AND FURNISHINGS, SWEATERS

SCHOOL CLOTHES

NO RED SIGNS — BUT BONA-FIDE

CASH ONLY

FLEET-DAVIS COMPANY

NEXT TO BIJOU.

THEATRICAL

The attraction at Academy of Music, one night only, Wednesday March 3rd will be the comedy success, "Lady Luxury" which under the management of Frederic McKay, has just closed a successful engagement at the Casino, New York. This piece is by Rida Johnson Young and William Schroeder, and has been staged by R. H. Burnside.

The company includes Florence Webber, Joseph Herbert, Maru Flyn, Donald MacDonald, Forrest Huff, Emilie Lea, Arthur Albro, Emily Fitzsory, Sam J. Burton and others.

The dresses, which are said to be unusually expensive and beautiful were designed and executed by Lady Duff Gordon.

A special orchestra under the direction of Arthur F. Kautzenbach will intrepret the twenty two musical numbers, the most popular being "Rick A Pickininny", "Moon, Moon", "I'm Longing for You", "Hit There Buddy", "Kiss Me Once More" and "Dream On My Princess".

Tickets will go on sale Monday March 1st at 8 o'clock promptly.

Great Double Show—New Grand.

Again have the folks of Wilmington the mid-week show at the New Grand and it is a cinch of a bet that all roads will lead towards this cozy, handsome theatre this afternoon and night, because folks looking for amusement, the best obtainable, the most wholesome and the biggest for the money, know full well they will find it at the New Grand, the theatre without an equal in the movie line, whether it be for shows, looks or comfort. So this joy spot will celebrate the mid-week by offering a great double show today, just such as every one likes. It will thrill one moment, pulling at the heart strings, while it will convulse with laughter the next, as it tickles the ribs with vigorous strokes.

Of course, heading today's big double show will come the 21st episode of "The Million Dollar Mystery," the film serial that is without an equal. This episode plunges the onlookers deeper into the mysteries of the story and will thrill every one. It is the most masterful yet of this great serial and should not be missed. However, it will not be all to today's swell offering by any means, so whet up your appetite for the biggest show yet.

"The Navajo Ring" is another big leader on today, with Margaret Gibson, Anne Schaefer and William Duncan in the star parts. It is a story of the West; something that is different from all others, and a tale that is told in most spectacular way.

"The Master Key"—Bijou.

That gala occasion of the week has again rolled around, and today, starting at 11 o'clock this morning, for 12 solid hours will be shown at Wilmington's cozy corner, the greatest serial drama of the age, the supreme "Master Key," the serial photoplay that has been acknowledged as the greatest production on films ever attempted and carried to a successful termination. For it is now complete, the last installment having been filmed last week by Director Robert Leonard and his all-star company.

Fate's pitiless pursuit of John Dore and Ruth Gallon is unabated in the 10th installment. The governor is petitioned for State cavalry to quell the riot at the Master Key Mine, and one of the thrilling incidents of this installment which crowds two thrilling reels. John is constrained to open the letter left in his care by Ruth's father to be opened when her welfare was in danger, and he finds therein the explanation of the mystic figures scratched on the Master Key which Ruth wears on a chain. They are the guide to the location of the chart giving the location of the mother lode of the Master Key Mine. He loses a portion of this letter and Harry Wilkerson finds it and immediately goes off in pursuit of the key which he succeeds in stealing. He then organizes a band to go in search of the wreck, and gets there ahead of John Dore and his party. This is one of the most thrilling parts of this chapter, with a hair-raising chase between high power motor boats.

A mammoth "Big U" dramatic release, "The Unmasking", follows on the trail of the Master Key, and comes in a full reel of human interest incidents that will appeal to everyone, while there then follows a rousing comedy feature, "A Colored Girl's Love," a Keystone with more than ordinary laugh-producing qualities, in a full reel. Remember, early hours are best, in order to insure getting a comfortable seat.

New Show at Victoria.

The Victoria Theatre has certainly struck a winner in its present offering, the premier musical comedy attraction of them all—The Southern Rosebuds. This popular attraction, known as the blue ribboner of tabloid music shows, opened Monday before big audiences and enjoyed great business again yesterday, offering the rousing comedy, "She Came from Albany", which was filled with bright musical numbers and many dances. In fact, about everyone on the stage was dancing the fox-trot at one time, thus presenting a big dancefest. The Donnellys were especially clever in their dance sketch, while the work of Dell and Edna Elliott, in the cast, and the latter in charming delineations and in singing, was swell. The attraction was pronounced the cleverest of its kind yet seen in Wilmington, and yesterday's fine business attested as to the popularity of the company.

Following the pleasing policy of the Victoria the bill will be changed in its entirety again today, when "Honeyboy or the Henpecked Husband," will be offered, and it is a big laugh-maker, as well as a performance of pretty musical incidents and dancing. The Elliotts themselves, known as one of the greatest dancing team on the stage, will be seen in this big bill. There are about a dozen song and dance numbers crowded into the performance and they are presented, too, in most stylish, novel manner. The chorus is truly a "Rosebud" affair, as one will agree after seeing the dainty bits of femininity dance around the stage.

The new bill will go on for the first time at the matinee this afternoon, to be followed by two performances tonight.

U. S. Court Sale.

Of the Haar Stock of Dry Goods and Fixtures continues until sold. Court appraisers have reduced prices below wholesale cost. (advertisement.)—tf

BELGIANS GREATLY MOVED BY SYMPATHETIC MESSAGES

Sent With Gifts of Provisions From United States and Canada.

(Correspondence of Associated Press.)

London, Feb. 14.—Belgians have been greatly moved by the sympathetic character of numerous messages or inscriptions which have accompanied gifts of provisions from the United States and Canada.

M. Paul Mussche, librarian of the Belgian parliament, writes from Brussels as follows:

"In the warehouse kindly placed at the disposal of the commission at Brussels we found cases of corned beef, pork and beans, evaporated milk, oats, wheat, barrels of dried fish and other cases of a more complex kind. They opened one of these before us. It contained a ham, three pots of jam covered with white paper, 25 kilos of apples, 50 kilos of potatoes and half a sausage. An inscription, almost effaced, showed that the case came form Hurtsboro, Ala. At the bottom the employe discovered a soiled slip of paper, on which a hesitating hand had traced these words:

"'To the unknown subject of a nation which is dying for respect of its word.'

"There were other cases, reaching to the top of the shed. Had they contained all the gold of Eldorado, they could not have moved us as much as this.

"Other cases bore different inscriptions. Among them we noticed a great many which came from Nova Scotia.

"With a sack of apples from Lower Grandville, Nova Scotia, came a letter addressed: 'To whoever will find this letter in Belgium.

"'Dear Belgians: Twenty-four of our neighbors met in my mother's house for the purpose of selecting these apples. We hope a great many Belgians will take refuge in our country where there is plenty of room and where we hope to continue enjoying peace.

"'Perhaps the person who will receive this letter will be among those to come here. If so, let him remember that the deepest sympathy and the greatest respect for your nation as also for its good king reign among the people of Lower Grandville, along the Annapolis basin.'

"If only the misery reigning here in Belgium could be represented on a film, what an outburst of charity such a picture would cause.

"It is easy to understand why peasants from the depth of the country take off their caps on the passing of the American commission's automobiles that fly the Stars and Stripes. They salute our only emblem of human sympathy and international solidarity."

GREENVILLE MERCHANT ASSIGNS.

Assets About $7,000; Liabilities Less Than $10,000.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greenville, N. C., Feb. 23.—B. J. Pulley has made an assignment, naming Lawyer F. M. Wooten as assignee. The liabilities are less than $10,000, with assets probably about $7,000. Mr. Pulley was one of the leading merchants, selling dry goods, notions and ladies' wear.

—A unique show window at the Standard Supply Company, No. 10 Grace street, has been designed by Mr. Lehman Wood. The window shows a miniature saw mill with every detail shown even to the log pound and the homes for the employes. It has attracted much attention and is a design of real merit.

New Greek Minister in His Court Dress

This is Alexander Vouras, the new Greek minister to the United States, in the gorgeous dress he wears at the court of his own country. It is really his official uniform for state occasions. Mr. Vouras succeeded Agamemnon Schliemann, who was recalled to Greece. He was here five years ago as secretary to the Greek legation and was for a number of years charge d'affairs, so he comes back to meet many friends he made then.

AMERICAN POTTERIES SEVERELY ARRAIGNED

Don't Know Cost of Production in Their Industry.

But Declared Lower Tariff Would Force Them to Reduce Wages—Investigation by Department of Commerce Completed.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Secretary Redfield today made public the report of the investigation by the Department of Commerce into the pottery industry, begun co-incidentally with the enactment of the present tariff law and an announcement by the United States Potters' Association that any reductions in selling prices resulting from reduced duties "must be followed by a corresponding reduction in wages."

The tariff reduced duties from 55 to 35 per cent and from 60 to 40 per cent. on undecorated and decorated earthenware, respectively. The report says the imports of pottery for the first 12 months of the tariff law increased less than a half million dollars over the last 12 months of the old law.

The following conclusions are given as general statements of fact:

"1. The potters of the United States are without adequate knowledge of the costs of production in their own industry.

"2. Extreme costs of production were found in the different potteries of the United States. There were also large variations in earnings and profits.

"3. Large differences in the cost of production between the potteries of the United States and those of Europe were found to exist. The general level of costs was considerably higher in the United States. In fact, the lowest cost of production in any American pottery exceeded that of the highest cost of production in any European pottery, except one establishment in Austria.

"4. Competitive prices of American and foreign ware in the United States [illegible] solely by the difference in cost of production at home and abroad. Other factors, including customs duties, transportation charges, and incidental expenses are sufficient as shown in the report to offset the difference in cost of production.

"5. Many of the American potteries are poorly situated and the plants are badly arranged, owing to the haphazard character of their development. There are few American potteries that have thoroughly modern plants equipped throughout with up to date machinery.

"6. In spite of the fact that the average wages paid in American potteries in the different occupations are higher than those paid in European potteries by from 90 to over 600 per cent., the labor cost per unit of product never shows so great a difference as 82 per cent. (except in German china plants). This indicates the greater efficiency of American workmen.

"7. The standard list upon which American potters base their selling price is absolete. It establishes for different articles selling prices that vary widely from the relative costs of production. Complete revision is necessary before American potters can intelligently sell their ware.

"8. There is a distinct need for more scientific methods of production which can be brought about only by highly skilled instruction and more scientific research work.

"9. Finally, this report has aimed to be constructive in its analysis of the pottery industry. There are means, and these have been pointed out, by which the cost of production may be materially reduced. And these costs must be reduced, not only that the American industry may compete with foreign products brought into this market but in order that American products may compete in foreign markets."

The investigation was made in the potteries of England, Germany and Austria, and, in the United States, in 48 establishments in New Jersey, Ohio, West Virginia, New York, Pennsylvania, Indiana and Maryland. The report deals exhaustively with the mechanical, scientific, labor and marketing processes connected with the industry.

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A. C. L. FAST TRAIN HELD UP BY CASE OF SMALLPOX

Flordia Limited Losses 50 Minutes at Rocky Mount on Negro's Account

(Special Star Correspondence)

Rocky Mount, N. C. Feb. 23.— Occasioning a delay of 50 minutes to the Atlantic Coast Line southbound Florida and West India Limited, there was more or less excitement here Sunday night when a negro with a full-fledged case of smallpox was discovered in the colored apartment to the combination passenger and baggage car. The negro had gotten aboard the train at Emporia, Va., after another negro had bought a ticket for him to Rocky Mount.

Effort was made to leave the negro in the care of a physician at Weldon, but the Halifax county health officer declined firmly, and, since the negro held a ticket to Rocky Mount, the railroad brought him to this city, where it develops he had no friends or home, and it was necessary that he be placed in the isolated ward of the railroad hospital. The greatest delay was occasioned at this point where the car was taken out of service and thoroughly fumigated, and the transfer of baggage required considerable time.

The railroad company, it is understood, will ask for an investigation of why this negro was allowed upon the streets and in the public places of Emporia, in view of the fact that he was broken out with an easily recognized case of small pox. It is the belief expressed here that the officers of the law at Emporia should have prevented this man getting on the train, and it is understood that an officer met the train and that no steps were taken to prevent the negro getting on.

TO FIGHT VIRGINIA CITIES.

Corporation Commissioners Go to Richmond in Freight Rate Case.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 23.—Chairman E. L. Travis, of the Corporation Commission, Secretary A. J. Maxwell, Rate Expert W. G. Womble and Clerk J. S. Griffin left tonight for Richmond where they will take a hand in the special hearing there tomorrow before an examiner of the Interstate Commerce Commission, in the matter of the effort of the Virginia cities to secure a modification of the rates from Virginia cities to North Carolina points that will be an offset to the reduction that North Carolina cities obtained some months ago in the through rates from St. Louis and other western points.

Chairman Travis will file an answer in intervention in opposition to the reductions demanded by the Virginia cities in which he will contend that North Carolina cities are entitled to these concessions and that the Virginia cities have no standing in court for any demand for the reductions they in turn ask.

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Always take the right pilot. Don't follow advice that is based on anything resembling a guess.

The longer the war in Europe lasts the greater ought to be the sympathy of the neutrals for all the belligerents.

The food crop question is bigger than the cotton question. Don't you forget it. Plant your crops accordingly. Be wise.

Cotton and wheat prices both took a tumble yesterday. See the Star's market page for the reasons. Commerce faces its second crisis.

When the Northwest Federation of Indians urges Congress to enforce prohibition among the Red Men it shows that even an Indian knows that "heap firewater" makes bad Injun.

If Wilmingtonians could live long enough they would see an elevated railway doing business along the entire harbor front, doing service partly as an elavator in loading or unloading ships.

In years to come many a Senator will be astonished at himself for wasting eight hours in making a filibustering speech in which there was much motive but no wisdom or statesmanship.

Professor Taft is one of your big Americans. He is one eminent citizen whose patriotism is greater than his partisanship. It is good for this country to have a man of the former President's broadness and wisdom.

We will have real prohibition when the average man with the price and a thirst cannot get it.——There is no telling how the people of North Carolina would like real prohibition until they have tried it a while.—Durham Herald.

The Chatham Record reports that the farmers of Chatham are sowing wheat in February, as some of them were not able to sow winter wheat. Spring wheat in this country has the advantage over spring wheat sown in the west.

The people of North Carolina ought to rejoice that the State Senate has passed the bill carrying an appropriation of $20,000 to purchase the summit of Mount Mitchell, the highest mountain this side of the Rockies. That ought to have been done a quarter of a century ago.

The New Orleans cotton men predict that the cotton movement in March will be the biggest since the season opened. Exports may drop off but the American mills are expected to buy for the future, while speculators are more than apt to be in the market for cotton to be held till Europe's war is over.

It is regarded that receipts of over $2,000,000 in tolls for the first six months operation of the Panama Canal is a better showing than was anticipated under present conditions of the trade of the world. Even if the canal did not afford a shorter route for commerce, it's worth as a military and naval necessity is fully recognized at this time.

It is always well for Americans to remember that in his farewell address, George Washington enjoined this country's statesmen "to guard against the mischiefs of foreign intrigues and the impostures of pretended patriotism." Many people are misled by the posing of some of the country's patriots who throw discretion to the winds for a moment of short-lived notoriety.

If cotton is put on the contraband list it will be an arbitrary act, contrary to international precedent, but suppose it is? The naval power to stop such shipments controls the ocean and a protest is all that can be done, since it would require a navy five times as large as ours to stand by the $2,000,000 or $3,000,000 of commerce that might be accompanied by armed ships. If cotton were shipped, it would be gobbled up before it got out on the high seas very far beyond our ports.

STOP THE SQUABBLE

It is inconceivable—yes, it is absurd—that important legislation affecting the entire City of Wilmington is to be halted in these closing days of the North Carolina General Assembly because of a squabble over trifles as between Senator Cooper, representing this district, and Representative Stacy, representing this county in the Legislature.

A committee of citizens, patriotically inspired and working for days and nights with the assistance of competent attorneys, have framed a charter, which they believe will be an improvement over the present one. They have forwarded this charter to our representatives in the city of Raleigh, asking no more than that the people themselves have the privilege of saying whether or not they desire the change. The people of Wilmington and the suburbs to be included are well nigh unanimous in favor of the annexation measure; fact is, this annexation project may be said to have been an issue.

Yet here we are in the sublimely ridiculous position of seeing the Assembly adjourn with nothing done on these two important matters! We can hardly grasp such a situation. Doomed to defeat or not doomed to defeat, the people of Wilmington have a right to express themselves and to be heard. If they are not heard this time, one may rest assured that they will be heard at another time.

It is to be sincerely hoped that our representatives in Raleigh will get together on this question and do so speedily. The Legislature is drawing to a close. A few days longer and it may be too late.

NORTH CAROLINA'S PORT.

The Star always has endeavored to impress upon all portions of the State that Wilmington is their port, hence we heartily congratulate the Chamber of Commerce upon its purpose to engage in a campaign to convince all of North Carolina of the importance of the relation which Wilmington bears to the State as its only deep water port. That relation is as vital to the rest of the State as it is to Wilmington.

Wilmington knows that, and now it is up to her to make every portion of North Carolina realize that the Cape Fear ocean gateway is North Carolina's avenue to the commerce of the world. The Cape Fear's deep water connection with the high seas is not only Wilmington's outlet to the trade of the world but it is also North Carolina's. Nature has contributed this physical gateway for commerce for North Carolina, because it was here before Wilmington was ever dreamed of. Wilmington is only incidental to the one vital fact that the Cape Fear offers a port to all the region embraced in North Carolina and other territory besides.

The Wilmington Chamber of Commerce itself must bring itself up to the realization of the importance of this port—not only to commercial Wilmington but to commercial and manufacturing North Carolina. If we do not realize it ourselves and are not in a position to conjure with all its possibilities for the various sections of the State, we will not be able to convey the comprehensive idea to the balance of the State.

Colonel Walker Taylor, Collector of the Port, has fired the first gun in the campaign for port study and it was aimed first at the Chamber of Commerce and, through it, at the State as well. In his interesting communication to the Chamber of Commerce, published in yesterday's Star, Colonel Taylor discloses the wonderful progress of North Carolina's commerce through Wilmington.

In 1914, Wilmington shipments to foreign countries footed up a value of $25,870,850, compared with $20,479,726 in 1909, a five-year period in which there was an increase of 26 per cent in the exports going from Wilmington to the over-sea trade. In 1914, imports from foreign countries received through Wilmington were valued at $4,174,745, compared with $1,228,945 in 1909, the five-year period showing an increase of 239 per cent.

The development of commerce indicated in those increases indicates the importance of the port and it ought to impress North Carolina with the value of her port. To a great extent, that commerce shows how Wilmington is taking advantage of the port. It is up to Charlotte, Greensboro, Raleigh, Winston-Salem, Durham, Asheville and other business centers of the State to make a showing for themselves through their port—as much theirs as it is ours. North Carolina's port offers them the same opportunity to export and import as it does Wilmington.

It is up to Wilmington not only to make better use of the port advantages herself but also to lead the other centers of the State up to the point of seeing opportunities and realizing the possibilities in it for them.

The commercial opportunities offered by the Cape Fear ocean gateway are North Carolina's, and the greatest opportunity that the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce has is to make the State realize that the port belongs to every producing community within its borders. In fact, this is the biggest work the Chamber can do.

UNWILLING FOR WAR.

Truly, the New York World observes: "The greater truth is not that the United States is unprepared, but that it is unwilling for war." Neither is this country willing to prepare for war unless it is absolutely necessary.

All this country might possibly gain by war at this time can be secured by international convention after the war in Europe ends. Any question which possibly may be temporarily settled by war by this country at this time might be unanimously rejected by the other powers at a convention when peace is declared in Europe. In that case we would recognize the fact that we had gone to war for nothing and might have to fight another with more than one power if we set up a war doctrine of our own. All the questions mooted by this war can only be settled by agreement between all the powers. We might have an excuse to go to war, but in no incident involved in the present gigantic contest is there a cause for war against any one of the belligerents.

Risks? Of course, there are risks for all neutrals. Losses? Why, they are inevitable. Commerce handicapped and practically demoralized? Sure. Always has been the case during every war, whether it were our own or some other nation's. The American civil war cost European nations millions of dollars in the loss of commerce, and probably five times as much when they had to pay big prices because of our war, for one instance, 50 cents in gold per pound for cotton. War means destruction of human lives and the exhaustion of resources for the belligerents. It means risks and losses for neutrals.

Ship owners know they take risks on ships and cargoes sent into the war zones. Even lives are endangered. The sinking of a valuable ship, the loss of a cargo worth $350,000, and the destruction of life—it is all the part of risk we take for commerce, to make money.

The sinking of the American steamship Evelyn in the North Sea, a few days ago, is a case in point. Her loss involves practically a half million dollars, but the people the least excited about it are her New York owners. About the calmest view expressed about it is to be found in the statement of one of the owners, Mr. William M. Harriss, in a dispatch in yesterday's Star, that the firm would not even make a protest, as he "considered the loss of the ship due to a war risk that she had taken." In other words, that the firm had taken.

The ship owners had insured that risk with the United States government, and it is for the government to protest and investigate and pave the way for a claim for damages, if the responsibility can be fixed. Fixing the responsibility is the remotest of eventualities. Our commerce took the risk, our government covered the risk by insurance, and all the incident furnishes is a barely possible claim for damages. It does not furnish a reason for jingoism, and certainly no cause for war or even talk of the possibility of a grave misunderstanding with any belligerent.

What diplomacy cannot do in this emergency could not be done by war, whether this country is either "unwilling for war" or unprepared for war. Our alleged "unpreparedness for war" is the least of all considerations in the event that there should ever arise the necessity for war. There is no such necessity, and if there were an apparent reason for war, international agreement would be the final means of settling any question at stake up to this time.

THE FREE FERRY AND BRIDGE PROPOSITION.

The Star rejoices to see the Brunswick county people vieing with those of New Hanover in such a progressive movement as that to provide free inter-communication between Wilmington and Brunswick and all the country beyond. The free ferry and bridge movement entered into by Brunswick and New Hanover representatives on Monday is the most practical step yet taken to secure results, and by the close of the year at most their plans for a free ferry at Wilmington and a free bridge over the Brunswick river, to connect the ferry causeway with the Brunswick shore, ought to be a consummation fully materialized.

Brunswick means business in such an earnest way that she is willing to cede Eagles' Island to New Hanover and to construct a steel bridge over the Brunswick river. She will part with territory in order to carry out a big project, and it is a great deal bigger and more important one than it even appears to its strongest advocates. The people of both counties ought to enter into the plan with enthusiasm and carry it out in a jiffy.

The scheme is the one practical undertaking that can be put into effect without delay, and, whatever may be done in the future, it is well to carry out the commendable plans that are now on foot.

SEGREGATION OF LAND OWNERSHIP.

To the Editor of The Star:

The sentiment among white resident home-owners in the rural districts is practically unanimous in favor of segregation of land ownership between the races. There isn't anything remarkable that such sentiment should prevail among white farmers who have any regard for better social and community life. If the negro race should begin to buy homes and become sandwiched between white families on the principal resident streets of the towns and cities of this State the protest would be so strong and vigorous that it would amount to a little revolution. Society is so compact in its organization in our towns and cities as to make voluntary segregation practical, as a rule. The social fabric of the town and city life is so closely interwoven that public sentiment secures for white home-owners the segregation which it does not do for rural society. Either an individual or a real estate company that would sell a home on a principal white resident street to a negro would be socially ostracised and boycotted.

The unorganized condition of society in the rural districts or rather the separated units of society in the country, make it impossible to enforce voluntary segregation of land ownership. The sentiment represented in separated units can not be mobilized and brought to bear as a restraint and made effective, as it can in the compactly and closely organized condition of society in the towns and cities. So when a white man, who decides to move out of the country community, wants to sell to a negro there is nothing to prevent him. Moreover, when absentee farm land-owners and speculatirs, living in towns and cities, see a chance to make a big profit by selling land in a white rural community to a negro there is no social or legal restraint, and absentee farm land speculators, who have absolutely no human interest in the rural community, have already sold hundreds of thousands of acres of land in the white rural communities of North Carolina to negroes, and they will continue to do it unless there is some legal restraint. And every time a tract of land in a white community is sold to a negro family it robs all the white farmers of that vicinity of a part of the value of their lands, for value depreciates in every instance. As a social and economic problem in rural life this issue of segregation has a much farther reaching significance than has yet been realized by those who have taken only a surface view. In fact, the entire future rural civilization and development of agriculture in the South depends upon a satisfactory solution of this problem, and its importance will grow just as fast as the indiscriminate sandwiching of negro home-owners between white home-owners increases. The right time to settle this problem is before it reaches the more acute stage, while it can be done without arousing race antagonism. In other words, the right time to begin to apply a remedy is now.

The proposition before the North Carolina Legislature provides for a constitutional amendment that will make segregation possible. To say that an amendment of this kind would not pass the higher courts is merely dodging the issue. When "stand-patters" are opposed to a thing, or when they are not enough interested to support a proposition, they always become expert constitutional judges and proceed to render judicial opinions against it. But members of an assembly are acting in a legislative, and not in judicial, capacity, and they ought to be responsive to the demands of their constituents. We can have no ideal development of rural community life when there are prohibitive conditions in the way. The two most important legislative propositions affecting the business of agriculture and rural community life are the repeal of the merchants' crop lien and the segregation of land ownership. They are both social and economic. They may be brushed aside through spirit of timidity and "standpatism" but they'll not stay brushed aside. Closely related to these two rural problems is that other menace and curse, absentee landlordism and tenant slavery. I believe the present general assembly has the ability to handle these constructive legislative propositions in the interest of human society and for the development of a better and more satisfactory rural civilization in North Carolina, if they were aggressive enough and not quite so much afraid of "hurting the party."

J. Z. GREEN.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Why is it no one wants to run against Mayor Murphy? asked a man today. Easy. A mayor must be able to make a speech at the drop of a hat. Most men cannot do it after the hat has been dropped for a week.—Greensboro Record.

Wilmington at one of the speakings of the Flying Squadron gave an audience of fifteen hundred people. The attendance in Raleigh was discouragingly small. Raleigh ought not to allow other cities to surpass it in being prompt to take cognizance of a good thing.—Raleigh News and Observer.

The committee that could see inconsistency in exempting wine from sacramental use from the bill to prevent whiskey dealers from other states from sending their death-dealing poison into this State for a beverage, need their vision corrected. However, unfermented wines from native grapes should serve the church needs. Senator White has introduced a Senate substitute liquor bill which permits the receipt of one quart per week and as much beer as one chooses. If they can do no better, that ought to be satisfactory to those who would like to restore the liquor traffic to the State by defeating prohibition.—Maxton Scottish Chief.

Huntersville and Concord, of the towns in this section of the State, have sent children to Raleigh in recent days for the purpose of receiving the Pasteur treatment as a safeguard against the bite of mad dogs. A number of children and a few grown people from other parts of the State have been sent to Raleigh for the same purpose. The accounts in the State papers of dogs supposed to have the rabies running at large to the peril of entire communities, ought to serve as a lever to pry the Legislature out of its opposition to passing a dog tax law for the whole State. But it looks like all arguments, no matter how sensible or strong, are unavailing against a deep-rooted custom of protecting the dog from any manner of regulation by law.—Charlotte Observer.

NOTICE.

Anyone finding a grey horse, 16 hands high, and a yellow runabout, which was driven from Wilmington Saturday night, February 13th, by J. H. Scott and wife, will please notify us. Last seen at Acme, on Feb. 14th. We hold a mortgage on the horse and buggy and offer a reward of $25.00 for its return or suitable reward for information as to its whereabouts.

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BRUNSWICK SHOULD PAY PROPORTIONATE PART

New Hanover Commissioners Opposed To Bill

Solution of Bridge and Ferry Matter Proposed at Conference Monday Not Approved—Chairman Willard's Position.

Declaring that the simplest and most equitable method of settling the problem of securing better transportation facilities between Wilmington and Brunswick county would be to consider the ferry, causeway and bridge over the Brunswick river as a whole and that the cost of acquiring and maintaining them be borne proportionately by both counties, Chairman M. S. Willard and Commissioners L. W. Moore and W. A. McGirt, of the New Hanover Board, went on record yesterday as being unable to give their approval to the plan suggested in the bill drawn up by the committee appointed at a joint meeting of the representatives of Brunswick and New Hanover counties.

This action was taken at a special meeting of the Board of Commissioners, called for the purpose of hearing the report of the committee appointed some time ago to advertise for bids for building the hard road to Carolina Beach. Commissioner W. E. Yopp attended the meeting, but had not arrived when the ferry proposition was considered and did not vote on it.

Graham Kenan, Esq., of the firm of Kenan & Stacy, county attorneys, stated that he had made an investigation relative to the question as to whether or not the county could undertake to expend money on Eagles' Island before it was annexed to New Hanover and he ruled that this could not be done without a vote of the people in favor of it.

Chairman Willard was of the opinion that the matter would come under the same head as building a bridge across a stream between two counties, but Mr. Kenan said that he did not think that this is the case. The statute authorizes the commissioners, he said, to spend money for necessary expenditures without a vote by the people. The keeping up of roads and bridges is classed as necessary expenses, but he did not think that money could be spent in another county without its being authorized by the people.

Chairman Willard called attention to the fact that, should Brunswick cede Eagles' Island to New Hanover, this county would be put in the same condition as New Hanover is now in the event that she shared in the expense of acquiring and maintaining the ferry and causeway.

After some discussion Attorney Kenon was authorized to draw up a bill in accordance with the resolution as adopted by the Board. Following is the resolution as adopted, its adoption being moved by Commissioner McGirt and seconded by Commissioner Moore:

"Be it Resolved, That the Board of Commissioners of New Hanover county regret they are unable to give their approval to the plan suggested in the bill drawn by the committee appointed at the joint meeting of the representatives of Brunswick and New Hanover counties.

"The benefits to the two counties to be derived from acquiring the ferry and bridges and causeway being approximately equal, we are of the opinion that the expenses incident to carrying out the proposition should be more proportionately divided between the counties.

"Should there be no legal obstacles we believe the simplest and most equitable method of settling the matter would be to consider the ferry, causeway and bridge over Brunswick river as a whole, and that the cost of acquiring and maintaining them be borne proportionately by both counties.

"This is the method adopted for the maintenance of bridges between counties and we can see no good reason why this generally accepted plan should be departed from in this case. It is the method which was adopted between Pender and New Hanover counties and is now in use and working satisfactorily."

Chairman Willard's Position.

Chairman Willard did not discuss the ferry proposition at length at the meeting yesterday, but earlier in the day went into the matter fully, stating his reasons for taking the position he did on the matter.

"Unless and until the representatives of Brunswick county show a greater willingness to agree to a more equitable distribution of the cost of bringing their county into closer relation with New Hanover county," he declared, "I do not see how this relation can be established.

"They speak very fair words in all discussions of the proposition to acquire the ferry and maintain the necessary roads and bridges, but the result of it all is that New Hanover county would bear by far the greater part of the burden, if not all.

"I do not know how we can ever decide whether the greater benefits will inure to the producers of Brunswick county or the merchants and consumers of New Hanover, but they are not very far from being equal. If the benefits will be approximately equal then the costs should be borne as nearly as possible in the same proportion.

"From the result of the deliberations, as shown by the proposed bill to be passed by the Legislature, it would seem that the representatives of Brunswick county were more concerned in driving a good bargain for their county than in meeting New Hanover's representatives in their avowed desire to arrive at a just and equitable settlement of the matter.

"Under the act now in force it is provided that Eagles' Island shall be annexed to New Hanover county when New Hanover shall build a bridge across Cape Fear river, acquire the property of the Brunswick Bridge & Ferry Company which carries with it the building and maintaining the causeway and the several bridges which span the creeks of Eagles' Island. The boundary of Eagles' Island was made the eastern edge of Brunswick river. This would make it the duty of Brunswick county to build and maintain a bridge over Brunswick river.

"The representatives of Brunswick county now insist that the new law shall make Brunswick river the boundary between the two counties. The other provisions of the law are that New Hanover county shall provide and maintain a free ferry across the Cape Fear river, shall widen and improve the causeway, which carries with it the several bridges between Cape Fear and Brunswick rivers, and in addition to this Brunswick river being made the boundary line, shall pay half the cost of building and maintaining the bridge over Brunswick river. For all this outlay on the part of New Hanover county, Brunswick county agrees to cede to New Hanover county the territory of Eagles' Island and also, when a steel bridge is built some time in the future over the Cape Fear, Brunswick county will undertake to maintain the bridge over Brunswick river!

"Eagles' Island contains approximately 3,294 acres. At the average valuation of land in Brunswick county it would be assessed for taxation at $13,835. At the tax rate levied in Brunswick county they would relinquish to New Hanover an annual revenue of $85.80!

"New Hanover's cash outlay to carry out all this would probably amount to between $60,000 and $75,000, and the expense of maintaining a free ferry and the several bridges would easily be a continuous annual charge of probably $5,000, besides the interest of $3,000 or $3,750 on the cash outlay. This continuous annual charge would be borne by every tax-payer in New Hanover county and would make the ferry very far from being free to the tax-payers of this county. In fact on the present valuations it would be a charge of not less than four cents on every $100 worth of property in New Hanover county, causing a property owner at Scott's Hill or Castle Hayne or any other remote part of the county owning property valued at $2,500, to pay $1 a year to maintain and operate the bridge and ferry.

"This is a simple statement of the facts in the case. The Commissioners of New Hanover county are not averse to progress and if satisfied that the tax-payers of the county desire this project accomplished on the proposed terms would not hesitate to take the necessary steps to bring it about. We wish the taxpayers to understand, however, that we now have a road debt of $300,000 and a total debt of $482,800. That we are about to spend on the road to Fort Fisher our half of a probable cost of $35,000; that we are to be urged to do our part towards constructing a causeway to Wrightsville Beach and above all that there are still thousands of acres of excellent farming lands in our own county which are remote from any semblance of a good road and which certainly have a prior claim on us for the means of development before they are taxed to develop Brunswick county."

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PLANS CLEAN UP AND PAINT UP CAMPAIGN

Superintendent McAllister Announces the Date

Week Beginning Monday, March 15th to be Devoted to Wilmington's Annual Scrubbing and Overhauling.

Monday, March 15th, is announced by Mr. John C. McAllister, city superintendent of streets, as the beginning of his second annual "Clean-Up and Paint-Up Campaign," according to letters received through yesterday's mails, in which he asks for the co-operation of the press, the people and the various civic agencies, women's clubs, and other organizations, to the end that Wilmington may be made not only the cleanest city in the South, but a "City Beautiful."

The splendid results accomplished during the "clean up week" last spring have not been forgotten and in fact evidences of the work, or its inspirational effect, are still to be seen. Mr. McAllister, however, believes that much more can be accomplished this year, and he is now busily engaged in laying his plans for the war on garbage, dirt, scattered paper, weeds, trash, and spots that might breed flies and mosquities.

The following is Mr. McAllister's letter to The Star:

"The Morning Star, City.

"Gentlemen:—As our 1914 Clean-Up Campaign was such a success, I take pleasure in announcing that beginning the first of spring, which is Monday, March 15th, we will inaugurate our 1915 'Clean Up and Paint Up' campaign. In order to make a success of this movement it is necessary that we have the active support of your paper, which will be most heartily appreciated.

"We intend to appeal to the civic pride of every individual citizen, women's clubs, newspapers, ministers, insurance and real estate interests, trades unions and all city departments, and ask that they join with us in a concerted effort to make Wilmington, not only the cleanest city in the South, but a city beautiful.

"During this campaign every citizen should make an effort to clean up his house and property so as to avoid fire risk, to clean up his front and back yard, to paint his premises if necessary, to abolish all places that might breed flies and mosquitoes, to eliminate weeds and help clean up vacant lots. The result will be a healthier, happier, cleaner and more attractive city.

"Please let us know at your earliest convenience if we may have the active support of your paper, also any suggestion you might make for the good of this movement will be most heartily appreciated by

"Yours respectfully,

"J. C. McALLISTER, Supt."

"P. S.—Immediate action toward beginning all possible inside work, repairing, cleaning, painting and alterations, as well as new construction work, will do much to relieve existing distress caused by lack of employment."

Real Estate Transfers

Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: Isaac H. Smith and wife to H. W. Thurber, for $250 and other considerations, lot on west line of Eighth, 75 feet north of Dawson, 57x120 feet in size; Fidelity Trust & Development Company to Alice M. Wells, for $1,000 and other considerations, lot No. 13 in Block 46, Sunset Park; Fidelity Trust & Development Company to James Howard and wife, for $1,000 and other considerations, lots No. 32 and 333 in Block 8, Sunset Park.

THREE LOCAL MEN MAY RUN FOR CONGRESS

Name of Capt. Donald MacRae Among Those Mentioned.

Friends of Prominent Citizen Are Urging Him to Consider the Matter. Two Other Wilmingtonians Rumored.

That Wilmington and New Hanover county will be represented in the Sixth Congressional race in 1916 is a fact generally accepted all over the district, and the names of possible candidates have been the subjects for discussion in political circles quite often lately. Already Herbert McClammy, Esq., and Jos. W. Little, Esq., prominent members of the local bar, have been publicly mentioned in connection with the matter, and rumor now has it that Captain Donald MacRae, also of this city, may be in the race.

It can be definitely stated that Captain MacRae's friends have spoken to him relative to the Congressional race, and while it is understood that as yet he has given the matter no serious consideration, one of his friends stated yesterday that he felt certain sufficient pressure would be brought to bear by the friends of Captain MacRae to bring him to consent to allow the use of his name. He has a very large circle of friends, not only in Wilmington, but throughout the district, and his admirers feel sure that he would carry the banner of Democracy with credit in the Congressional race, no matter who his opponents might be.

Captain MacRae, while never seeking public office, has always taken a deep interest in public affairs and has never hesitated to lend his support in any cause he believed was right. He served most efficiently on the County Board of School Directors for ten years, and he still keeps in close touch with matters of public education, both locally and State-wide.

Congressman H. L. Godwin, now serving his fifth term, will be in the race to succeed himself, it is generally believed, and it is possible that some of the other counties in the district will produce candidates. In that event, with three strong men from New Hanover also in the race, the campaign would doubtless be the most interesting in the history of the "Bloody Sixth" for a number of years.

FAMILY MIX-UP SENDS NEGROES TO THE ROADS

Recorder Empie Had Busy Morning Meting Out Justice

John Covington, colored, and his father-in-law, James Williams, were each given three months on the county roads by Recorder Empie yesterday on account of a mix-up in the family several days ago. For some time the two negroes, who will work together for the county for the next three months, had not been on speaking terms. The father-in-law appeared to have been resentful of John's actions and was alleged to have hit the latter, with the result that he was run out of the house.

Covington then, according to the evidence, heaved a brick at his relative which hit his wife instead. Covington then opened fire with a gun, it was stated, and his father-in-law, not liking such tactics, shoved an axe through the door striking John and causing a severe cut.

Ed Williams, colored, commonly known as "Tank" was also given three months on the county roads for an alleged attempt to shoot a companion. Alex. Harriss, colored, was given a similar sentence for carrying concealed weapons. A fine of $25 and the cost was imposed upon Walter Bell, white, for an assault with a deadly weapon. Alonzo Boston, colored, was sent to the county farm for 30 days for disorderly conduct. Oliver Wade, colored was fined $10 and the costs for an assault on a female while Jim Eagles, white, got off with the costs on a similar charge.

Mr. J. C. Haar was taxed with the costs for painting a sign on the sidewalk and Mr. N. M. McEachern paid the costs for violating the speed ordinance.

MR. WHITEHEAD AN OFFICER

Editor of Truckers' Journal Vice President of W. B. & S.

The name of Mr. Z. W. Whitehead as second vice president of the Wilmington, Brunswick and Southern Railroad, was inadertently omitted from the list of the officers of this road in an account of the annual meeting of the stockholders published in yesterday's Star. Mr. Whitehead has long been actively connected with this road and has given much of his time to its development.

He is editor of the Carolina Truckers' Journal and has for many years been greatly interested in the development of the trucking interests of this section. He has been instrumental in making the W. B. and S. of real service to the people of Brunswick county by aiding in the development of this industry. The road furnished easy access to a most fertile section of the county and Mr. Whitehead feels that it should be developed. It is safe to say that no other factor in Brunswick has meant more for its progress than the W. B. & S.

In this work Mr. Whitehead has played an important part.

RETURNS TO HIS HOME

Mr. T. P. Nash Will Go Into Business at Elizabeth City

Mr. Thos. P. Nash, formerly a member of the faculty of the Wilmington High School and for the past year or more connected with the sales staff of the J. G. Wright & Son Real Estate Agency, has resigned his position and returned to his home at Elizabeth City, where, it is understood, he plans to go into business for himself.

Mr. Nash is a clever and capable young business man, and has made a host of friends during the several years he has made Wilmington his home. All of them will regret to see him leave Wilmington, but will wish for him an unbounded success in his new field of endeavor.

Building Permits Issued

The following building permits have been issued by the building isspector W. P. McGlaughon, seven-room house on Fifteenth street between Princess and Chesnut, estimated cost being $3,000; W. L. Parsley, addition and repairs to residence on Market street between Seventh and Eighth, estimated cost being $4,000; Linder Johnson, six-room dwelling on Hall street between Dickinson and Wood, estimated cost being $800.

ALL BIDS FOR ROAD REJECTED YESTERDAY

New Proposals Will Likely be Asked for by County.

Commissioners Will Consider Construction of Highway to Carolina Beach at Meeting Monday. Money for Hospital.

All bids for the construction of a hard road to a point opposite Carolina Beach, in accordance with a contract entered into between New Hanover county and the companies in charge of the development of Carolina Beach, Wilmington Beach and Fort Fisher Sea Beach, were rejected at a special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners yesterday afternoon. This action was taken upon the recommendation of the special committee composed of Commissioners Moore, McGirt and Yopp.

No further consideration was given the matter, the committee stating that it would be able to make further recommendations at the regular meeting next Monday. It is probable that new bids will be asked for. Commissioner Moore, chairman of the special committee, stated that it is desired to build the road by contract, if possible. He also stated that the county is anxious to begin work on the road as early as possible and that the committee was giving the matter its earnest consideration with a view to having the construction of the road started at an early date.

The reason given for rejecting the bids was that they were too high. The right to reject all bids was reserved in advertising for proposals. In the event that the county is not able to award a contract at what is considered a reasonable price it is planned to do the work with the regular convict force.

The only regular bid submitted was by Mr. C. R. Humphreys. He proposed to do the work for 76 cents a square yard. The other bids were not according to the specifications and were rejected for this reason.

A communication was read from Mr. W. H. Sprunt, chairman of the board of managers of the James Walker Memorial Hospital, calling attention to the fact that the city had complied with the agreement entered into last summer by which that institution was to receive $20,000 from the city and county, the former to pay two-fifths and the latter to pay three-fifths. This would make the city's part $8,000 and the county's share $12,000, or $1,000 a month.

On motion of Commissioner W. A. McGirt the board voted to make the appropriation $1,000 a month from December 1st. This is an increase of approximately $67 to the appropriation that had been made previously for each month.

DR. FRANK DIXON WILL LECTURE AT BRIGADE

Noted North Carolinian to be Heard in Lyceum Course Tonight.

Patrons of the Boys' Brigade Lyceum Course are looking forward with keen anticipation to the lecture to be delivered at the brigade this evening by Dr. Frank Dixon, a celebrated son of North Carolina, and a brother of Thomas Dixon, the well known novelist and dramatist. Dr. Dixon's lecture will be the eighth number of the lyceum course for this season, and it promises to be one of the most entertaining ever delivered in the city.

Dr. Dixon arrived yesterday afternoon from Lumberton, where he delivered his lecture Monday night to a very large audience, holding his hearers spell-bound for more than an hour and a half.

The subject of his lecture is "The Square Deal," and in it he delivers a message that is vital.

The sale of reserved seats will continue throughout today, until 6 o'clock. It is expected that every seat will be occupied tonight.

FUNERAL OF MR. KLEIN.

Services from St. Paul's Episcopal Church Yesterday Afternoon.

Attended by many friends and relatives, the funeral of Mr. D. F. Klein, whose death occurred early Monday morning at his home in East Wilmington, was conducted yesterday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from St. Paul's Episcopal church by Rev. W. E. Cox, rector of St. John's Episcopal church, assisted by Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. There were many beautiful floral designs. The interment was in Bellevue cemetery. A delegation from Jeff Davis Council, United American Mechanics, of which the deceased was a charter member, attended the services in a body.

The pall-bearers were as follows: Honorary, Messrs. D. H. Penton, Oscar Pearsall, M. W. Divine, H. L. Vollers, W. E. Springer and Dr. William Niestlie; active, Messrs. T. N. Simmons, J. S. Williams, H. C. Blake, Hardy LaNier, J. L. Hazlehurst and Geo. C. Jackson.

Among those from out of the city who attended the funeral were Col. Geo. H. Bellamy, of El Paso, and Mr. C. E. Smith, of Raleigh.

—Ben McMillan, colored, was arrested yesterday by Policeman O.V.Thompson on a warrant charging him with having held up Dave Brinkley, colored, on the night of January 30th and taking from him 10 cents in money and a half pint of whiskey. The negro was locked up to await a hearing before the Recorder this morning.

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The leading doctors of France have for years used a prescription of vegetable oils for chronic stomach trouble and constipation that acts like a charm. One dose will convince. Severe cases of years' standing are often greatly benefited within 24 hours. So many people are getting surprising results that we feel all persons suffering from constipation, lower bowel, liver and stomach troubles should try Mayr's Wonderful Remedy. It is sold by leading druggists everywhere with the positive understanding that your money will be refunded without question or quibble if ONE bottle fails to give you absolute satisfaction.

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Miss Lillie Post has gone to Baltimore to visit her brother, Mr. R. E. Post.

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The Literature Department of Sorosis will meet tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Sorosis club rooms on North Third street.

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Friends of Miss Myrtle Clements will be glad to learn that she is able to be out again after having been confined to her home for several weeks on account of an accident.

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Mr. and Mrs. Pembroke Jones, Mr. Pembroke Jones, Jr., and Mr. Henry Walters have returned to New York after spending several days at Mr. Jones' country home, "Airlie," on Wrightsville Sound.

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Mrs. D. H. House, of Charlotte, is here to spend a week or more with her husband, Mr. Dean H. House. Mrs. House has visited in Wilmington before and has many friends here who are delighted to welcome her again.

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Friends will regret to learn that Mrs. J. W. Westbrook has been confined to her home, No. 317 North Fourth street, for several days on account of a threatened attack of appendicitis. She was taken ill about ten days ago while visiting in Rocky Mount.

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Wilson, Feb. 23.—At the Methodist church Monday night at 8:30, Miss Addie Vale Young became the wife of Mr. Washington Cosbett, of Washington, Rev. M. Bradshaw pastor of the church, officiating. The floral decorations of the church were artistic and beautiful. Following the ceremony a reception was given the bridal party at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Young.

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LIVING PICTURES TO BE PRESENTED AT CHURCH

Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in the Memorial Hall of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, the Euphians will present a programme of living pictures. There will be some of the city's best vocal and instrumental talent and also other interesting features. Following is the programme for the occasion:

Selection by the orchestra.
Picture—"Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thumb".
Reading by Mrs. R. W. Barker.
Picture—"Valentines."
Piano solo by Miss Lela Williams.
Picture—"Ruth and Naomi."
Vocal solo by Mrs. Longfellow.
Picture—"Flight from Pompei."
Violin solo by Miss Pauline Crumb.
Picture—"Rock of Ages."
Picture—"Day Dreams."
Reading by Miss Lucy Behrends.
Picture—"Slumber Song."

At the close of the programme of the evening the ladies will sell candy. The charge for admission will be 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children. An evening of pleasure is promised all who attend.

OFFICERS FOR DEDICATION

Arrangements for Formal Opening of New Pythian Castle Hall on March 11th—Committees.

The arrangements for the dedication of the new Pythian Castle Hall on Princess street, between Second and Third, have been practically completed. The dedication will take place on the evening of March 11th, and Supreme Vice-Chancellor John J. Brown, of Vandalia, Ills., will be the principal speaker. Invitations to attend have been extended to Grand Chancellor J. G. Baird, of Charlotte, and Grand Vice-Chancellor Holland, of Winston-Salem, and it is hoped that they can be present.

Following are the officers that have been selected to conduct the solemn dedicatory exercises:

Grand Chancellor — Supreme Vice-Chancellor John J. Brown.
Grand Vice-Chanceloir—Jos. W. Little, Esq.
Grand Prelate—Mr. W. J. Toomer.
Grand Master at Arms—Mr. C. E. Haskett.
Grand Outer Guard—Mr. J. R. Hanby.
Grand Inner Guard—Mr. J. F. Littleton.
Grand Keeper of R. and S.—Mr. Anson Alligood.
Grand Master of Exchequer—Mr. W. C. Owen.

The following compose the committee on arrangements for the occasion:

Stonewall, No. 1 — Capt. Thos. D. Meares and Mr. J. D. Kelly.
Clarendon, No. 2—Messrs. J. W. Smith and J. F. Littleton.
Jefferson, No. 61—Messrs. W. P. McGlaughon and W. G. Hatch.

The other committees selected to look after the details for the dedication are as follows:

Cards and Invitations—Capt. Thos. D. Meares and Mr. J. W. Smith.
Music—Messrs. H. McD. Wilson and W. G. Hatch.
Decorations—Messrs. J. D. Nutt and W. G. Hatch.

Mr. J. D. Nutt, for a number of years Deputy Grand Chancellor of North Carolina, will be master of ceremonies.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Messrs. B. F. Mitchell & Co., have moved their old location at No. 20 North Water street, on the site of the new Customs House, to No. 210 North Water street.

—Will Yopp, white, was arrested yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Reynolds on a charge of disorderly conduct at Delgado. He gave bond for his appearance before Justice Harriss.

—License was issued yesterday for the marriage of Mr. Rufus Henderson, of Wilmington, and Miss Bessie Marshburn, of Onslow county, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Marshburn.

—The work of removing the Belgian blocks on Market street between Front and Second, preparatory to laying bitulithic on this block, was begun yesterday. The blocks taken up are to be used in paving Castle street, from Front to the Clyde terminals.

—The regular weekly meeting of City Council will be held this morning. Councilman T. W. Wood's explanation of his remarks at last week's meeting, when he declared that he knew something about "a deal" in connection with the notes issued for the Market street paving, promises to be a most interesting feature.

—James Carter, colored, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Deputy Sheriff E. C. Reynolds on a warrant sent from Bladen county charging the negro with false pretense. The affidavit was made by T. J. Kelly. The negro gave bond in the sum of $100 before Justice Harriss to appear before Justice J. D. DeVane in Bladen county on March 12th.

—Justice Harriss yesterday continued the cases against John Redd and Lacy Kennedy, both white, charged with violating the prohibition law, until Saturday at noon. Both men were arrested last Saturday. Redd gave bond Saturday, but Kennedy was sent to jail. The latter was recognized by Justice Harriss for his appearance Saturday. The trial was continued on account of the absence of witnesses for the State.

Funeral of Mrs. Brown.

The remains of Mrs. R. E. Brown, who died Monday evening at the home of her mother, Mrs. Eliza J. Turner, No. 317 North Fourth street, were taken to Ashton yesterday morning for the funeral and interment. Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor of Calvary Baptist church, accompanied the family to Ashton and conducted the funeral services. The pall-bearers in Wilmington were Messrs. J. W. Westbrook, Sidney Jones, D. H. Brinson, C. M. Benson, J. A. King and Russell Gilmore.

INTER-CITY Y. M. C. A. CONTEST

Wilmington and Ten Other Southern Cities Will Compete for Honors This Spring.

Wilmington and ten other Southern cities will compete in an annual Inter-City Y. M. C. A. membership contest which will be held from March 30th to April 6th, and the membership committee of the local association is already laying plans to carry off the honors this year. This city took part in the contest last year for the first time, and, handicapped by the fact that just a few months before it had completed a membership campaign which added many new members, who could not be counted in the inter-city contest, finished second in North Carolina and sixth in the whole list.

Mobile won first place last year, but has been transferred to another district this year. The cities to compete in the contest this spring are Wilmington, Charlotte, Greensboro, Raleigh, Winston-Salem, Columbia, Charleston, Greenville, Spartanburg, Augusta and Jacksonville.

The contest is based on a handicap system, according to the population of the cities competing, so that each may have an equal chance to win the prize. Renewals, as well as new members, count, and by reason of the fact that a large portion of the membership of the local association expires during the time of the approaching contest, so that all these renewals will be counted, this city will stand a much better showing this year than last.

The membership of the local association is now about 600. It is planned to secure 500 renewals and at least 300 new members during the inter-city contest.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. E. H. Gillam was a guest at the Orton yesterday.

—Mr. J. T. Lowshe, of Raleigh, was among the guests at the Orton yesterday.

—Mr. Leon L. Motte, of Burgaw, was a guest at the Hotel Wilmington last night.

—Dr. Frank Dixon, who lectures at the Brigade tonight, is stopping at the Orton.

—Hon. J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, was in the city yesterday, stopping at the Orton.

—John T. Bennett, Esq., of Rockingham, was registered at the Hotel Wilmington last night.

—Mr. Page R. Granby, of Rocky Mount, was a business visitor in the city yesterday, a guest at the Hotel Wilmington.

GOLDSBORO QUINT WILL PLAY COMPANY B HERE.

Interesting Basketball Game to be Staged at Brigade Friday Night.

The lovers of basketball will be glad to learn that they will be given an opportunity to witness a fast game of basketball between the Goldsboro High School team and Company B, of the Boys' Brigade Friday night. It will be remembered that the Goldsboro boys defeated the Wilmington High School team last week, the first defeat administered to the local team this season, which indicates that the Goldsboro boys have a strong team and they will require watching in their contests here if the Wilmington teams do not wish to suffer further at the hands of the visitors.

The Brigade team will be in fine condition, as they have been playing the entire season and while they have not played together, they have been in games against each other until they will be able to form a strong line-up in a few days which will be hard to beat. The team will be composed of the best players in the organization with Harry Register leading them, which means that if good leadership counts for anything they should be able to do themselves and their captain justice. The local team will be composed of the following: H. Register and Ed Register, forwards; G. Bornemann, center; King, Snakenburg and Montgomery, guards. Happy Register is a fast and clever player, who is hard to stop when he gets to going good, while Harry is always dangerous. Bornemann at center is a good jumper, is cool, follows the ball fast, shoots from any angle and plays well with his teammates. In King, Montgomery and Snakenburg the Brigade has a splendid trio of guards who are hard to score against and if the Goldsboro boys find the basket they will be obliged to do so under the most strenuous opposition.

Tickets will be sold at the usual price of 25 cents. Only a limited number will be disposed of as the seating capacity is small. The regular Friday night games will be played Thursday night. The Wednesday night game will be postponed until next week.

LEAGUE MEMBERS HEAR TALKS

Several Interesting Features at Regular Meeting of Housewives Organization Yesterday

Several interesting features marked the regular meeting of the Housewives' League, held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Merchants' Exhibit room on Chesnut street. Mr. C. W. Rogers, manager of the Independent Ice Company, and Mr. O. W. Page, of the Greenfield Milling Company, made talks on subjects of interest and there were several other matters, including committee reports.

Mr. Rogers, delivered a most interesting talk on the subject of cold storage. He told the ladies of the plant and facilities for taking care of not only perishable products but also furs and woolens. He spoke of how an up-to-date cold storage plant helped to reduce the high cost of living.

Being asked why cold storage articles often had such a strong taste and odor he gave as the reason that imported cold storage articles such as eggs, butter and chese were often shipped in cars containing meats and salted articles and were subjected to uneven temperature, while sometimes an egg was broken in shipping, the result being that the half crate containing the egg would have a musty taste, but with care and proper packing such conditions would not exist.

Mr. Rogers exhibited a sample of storage cheese from his plant, which was in perfect condition, not having any signs of mold, as is often found in cheese that is not properly stored. He also displayed eggs, supposed to be strictly fresh country eggs and some of the eggs stored in his plant and guaranteed that his were just as good tasting and would stand the test. The Yorke Imperial apples, which he showed, were beautiful specimens. This is the first year that the Yorke Imperial apple has been shipped here from Virgina, as owing to the war they could not be shipped to Europe as formerly. The apples exhibited had been in cold storage at this plant since October. Mr. Rogers told of the nominal cost and facilities the plant offered for taking care of such goods, stating that it was no longer necessary for the merchant and consumer to send his perishable goods to New York and Baltimore to be stored.

Mr. Page gave a most interesting demonstration and talk on water ground meal. He showed the corn as it came from the farmer and also after it had gone through three siftings and then the finished product as compared with some that he had bought at one of the grocery stores. Mr. Page gave some idea of the sanitary way in which everything, from floors to the dresses and hands of the packers, were maintained. The meal is not handled from the time it is put into the machine until it reaches the comsumer. This meal is sold by nearly all dealers in town and northern points. A cordial invitation has been extended to the ladies to visit the mill at any time.

After the above talks the reports of the various committees were given. Some interesting leters were read by the corresponding secretary, one from one of a local concerns which was very gratifying, and two from the Chamber of Commerce in Florence, S. C. asking for information in regard to forming a league in that city, having heard of the good work done and the the results obtained by the local chapter.

NEW RECTOR DELAYED

Dev. W. R. Noe Will Not Be Able to Come To City Until Later

Rev. W. R. Noe, the new rector of the church of the Good Shepherd, will be unable to come to Wilmington this week, as he had originally planned, owing to conditions which have arisen in his present parish at Windsor. He will come to Wilmington on March 16th to assume his new work. He succeeds his brother, Venerable Archdeacon T. P. Noe, as rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd.

MR. HUGH MacRAE RETURNS.

Spent Six Weeks in New York City on Business Trip.

Mr. Hugh MacRae has returned from New York, where he spent six weeks. During that time he was engaged in arranging for bringing Belgian immigrants to this country. This work is being done through the Carolina Trucking Development Company, in which Mr. MacRae is deeply interested. Mr. Frank Mead is now in Belgium for the purpose of securing expert intensive farmers from that country. Many of the settlers whom he has selected are expected to arrive within the next few weeks. A number of the colonists arrived last week and have already been settled on farms at St. Helena, near Wilmington.

Funeral of Mr. Sutfin.

The funeral of Mr. Elliott Sutfin, who died Saturday morning at the James Walker Memorial Hospital, was held at the lodge house in Oakdale cemetery yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. There were a number of friends present, including quite a number of the colonists near Castle Haynes.

Lenten Services

Lenten services will be held at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church this evening at 8 o'clock, and there will also be a special prayer meeting service for the ladies of the congregation this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Services have been held each afternoon this week, and all are well attended.

ARMY BASEBALL TEAM BEGINS PRELIMINARY WORK

Big Squad of Men Reported to Coach Strand Yesterday.

West Point, N. Y., Feb. 23.—Preliminary work for the army baseball team was begun today when a big squad of men reported to Coach Samuel Strand and Cadet Merrillatt, the latter the captain of the Army nine. The Army has a schedule of 21 games. The annual game with the Navy will take place here May 29th.

GAFFNEY REPORTS THAT ALL CHAMPIONS HAVE SIGNED.

Bert Whaling's Contract, Received Yesterday, Completes Roster.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 23.—James E. Gaffney, president of the world champion Boston Club, of the National League, said that with the receipt today of the contract of Catcher Bert Whaling the club had the signature of every member.

TO OPERATE NEW ROUTE.

Jitney Bus Will Run Car on Fourth Street—Good Patronage.

Announcement is made elsewhere in today's Star of the opening of a new route by the Jitney Bus Company beginning at Fourth and Red Cross streets, along Fourth street to Fourth and Greenfield. This car will be run on a 15-minute schedule. This will be known as Route No. 2.

Only one route was operated yesterday but the indications are that the Jitney bus will be well patronized. The promoters have been gratified at the interest shown and believe that the public will give them a liberal patronage.

Soldiers Leave Fort Caswell.

Two companies of the Coast Artillery, now stationed at Fort Caswell, have received orders to be transferred to other points at an early date. The 79th company will be transferred to Panama on April 14th and the 31st company will be transferred at the same time to New York. It is understood that only one company will be left for duty at Fort Caswell.

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BY A DESPERATE RUSE, HE SUCCEEDS IN STEALING THE KEY FROM ABOUT RUTH'S NECK, WHILE SHE SLEEPS. IMMEDIATELY HE STARTS FOR THE SCENE OF THE SHIPWRECK, TO RECOVER THE LOST CHART. HE IS PURSUED CLOSELY BY JOHN DORE AND HIS DIVERS, BUT GETS TO THE SCENE FIRST, AND IS IN THE ACT OF SENDING HIS DIVERS DOWN WHEN DORE AND HIS PARTY ARRIVE.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

SHARP BREAK IN COTTON

Liquidation Follows Apprehension as to Foreign Situation and Fear of Action at London.

New York, Feb. 23.—There was a very sharp break in cotton here today under liquidation attributed to apprehensions of some interference in the export movement through possible developments in the war zone or fear that cotton may be declared contraband. Closing prices were barely steady at a net decline of 23 to 27 points.

The market opened steady at a decline of 2 to 5 points. Liverpool was relatively steady and there were some old buying orders on a basis of nine cents for October which held prices here for a time right after the call. General sentiment, however, appeared to be very much unsettled and the market soon weakened with March relatively easy, both here and in New Orleans.

Closing prices were at practically the lowest point of the day and at no time were there rallies of more than 2 or 3 points. Some of the local spot people were buyers of July against sales of October, probably in expectation that Southern hedge selling would be chiefly in the latter months.

Exporters were among the early sellers but there were no reports of any cancellation of ocean freight room and no apprehensions were expressed of complication arising from the loss of the steamer Evelyn.

The revision committee announced differences applying to the first March deliveries today, the only change being an increase of five points in the discount on good ordinary.

Cotton futures closed barely steady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Mar	8:33	8:34	8:12	8:11
May	8:60	8:61	8:34	8:36
July	8:75	8:78	8:75	8:75
Oct	9:05	9:05	8:84	8:85
Dec	9:22	9:23	9:00	9:00

Spot cotton, quiet; middling uplands, 8.35; no sales.

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling, 7.90; receipts, 12,752; exports, 3,469; sales, 3,470; stock, 436,730.

Galveston—Middling, 7.95; receipts, 30,030; exports, 18,048; sales, 1,606; stock, 543,678.

Mobile—Middling, 7.60; receipts, 954; sales, 400; stock, 51,164.

10,912; exports, 13,407; sales, 1,705; stock, 242,154.

Charleston — Middling, 7¾; receipts, 1,408; stock, 110,564.

Wilmington—Middling, 7⅞; receipts, 415; stock, 61,135.

Texas City—Receipts, 4,423.

Norfolk—Middling, 7.88; receipts, 2,526; sales, 2,707; stock, 78,069.

Baltimore—Middling, 8¼; stock, 5,191.

Boston—Middling, 8.55; stock, 12,000.

Philadelphia—Middling, 8.60; stock, 7,705.

New York—Middling, 8.35; exports, 1,400; stock, 115,497.

Monor Ports—Stock, 149,306.

Total today—Receipts, 68,420; exports, 35,324; stock, 1,840,193.

Total for week—Receipts, 151,307; exports, 134,786.

Total for season—Receipts, 7,810,666; exports, 5,043,324.

Interior Movement.

Houston — Middling, 8.25; receipts, 14,753; shipments, 14,851; sales, 6,951; stock, 200,812.

Memphis—Middling, 776; receipts, 3,499; shipments, 4,388; sales, 3,500; stock, 227,961.

Augusta—Middling, 7.87; receipts, 2,489; shipments, 2,161; sales, 932; stock, 147,018.

St. Louis—Middling, 7⅞; receipts, 2,683; shipments, 2,826; stock, 36,096.

Cincinnati—Receipts, 487; shipments, 651; stock, 13,782.

Little Rock—Middling, 1,674; shipments, 1,787; sales, 1,050; stock, 57,031.

Total today—Receipts, 25,582; shipments, 26,164; stock, 682,009.

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 23. — Cotton seed oil broke 20 to 23 points early today, under heavy liquidation for account of the South and West, together with the weakness in crude markets and hog products. Later, however, there was a partial rally on covering by some of the leading shorts and buying on the reaction theory. Final prices were 10 to 20 points net lower. Sales, 33,500.

The market closed weak. Spot, 6.50@7.00; February, 6.60@6.85; March, 6.75@6.76; April, 6.77@6.83; May, 6.83@6.84; June, 6.86@6.96; July, 7.02@7.03; August, 7.12@7.14; September, 7.21@7.24.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 23.—Cotton goods were quiet and steady today. Yarns were dull. Men's wear and dress fabrics were in moderate demand. Taffetas, crepes and failles in silks were in demand. Jobbers reported a moderate volume of business.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Market Was Under Pressure Throughout the Entire Session

New Orleans, Feb, 23.—Cotton was under pressure throughout today's session and the widest decline in several weeks resulted. The close was at the lowest a net decline of 24 to 27 points. Selling was inspired by fear that England would put cotton on the contraband list and was about equally divided between the two accounts. Spot houses, exporters, Houses which operate for German spinners and spot merchants and speculators bearishly inclined all combined to bring about a large volume of selling orders. At times the market was soft.

Fear that the situation abroad would materially check the outward movement of the crop was the dominating influence of the day. The enormous amount of cotton afloat for Europe 1,300,000 bales last Friday, the large amount of cotton at ports awaiting shipment and the heavy forward engagements for export made the question of the next move by the belligerents important. Exports over the holiday's carried the total for the season over the five million mark, the figures tonight being 5,043,324 bales. Bears predicted cancellation of export engagements should the present situation continue.

Cotton futures closing: March 778; May 803; July 823; October 849 December 864.

Spot cotton quiet, unchanged. Sales on the spot 1,370 bales, to arrive 2,100.

WHEAT PLUNGES HEAVILY

Extreme Losses Amounted to Eight Cents a Bushel on Chicago Grain Pit — Other Losses Noted.

Chicago, Feb. 23. — Wheat plunged heavily downward today, extreme losses amounting to eight cents a bushel. Anxiety as to the chance of the Dardanelles being opened and suggestions that the United States would possibly yet resort to an embargo covering both ammunition and food, were largely responsible. The market closed much flurried at 5⅝@7⅝ lower, as compared with Saturday night. Other net declines were: Corn, 2⅛@2¼ to 2⅝; oats, 1¼@1⅜ to 2 cents, and provisions, 15 to 70 cents.

Grain and provisions close:

Wheat—May, 1.52⅝; July, 1.25⅝.

Corn—May, 73⅝; July, 75⅝.

Oats—May, 56¾; July, 53¾.

Pork—May, 17.52; July, 18.00.

Lard—May, 10.30; July, 10.52.

Ribs—May, 9.75; July, 10.02.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.52⅝@1.58; No. 2, hard, 1.53⅝@1.59.

Corn—No. 2, 71½@72½.

Oats—No. 2, white, 56@57.

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List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

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Schooners.

Schr. Herbert May, 318 tons, Black, C. D. Maffitt & Co.

Schr. Rebecca R. Douglas, 399 tons, Ladd, C. D. Maffitt & Co.

Schr. F. & T. Lupton, 797 tons, Stevens, C. D. Maffitt & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 23.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Steady, at 41c.

ROSIN—Quiet, $2.80 per barrel for large; $2.70 per barrel for small.

TAR—Quiet, $1.60 per barrel; 7c per gallon.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Quiet, $2.75 per barrel for soft; $2.75 per barrel for virgin; $1.50 per barrel for hard.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, steady, 43c. Rosin, firm, $3.70. Tar, firm, $2.30-9c. Crude Turpentine, firm, $3.50, $3.50, $2.25.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	5
Rosin	22
Tar	162
Crude Turpentine	2

Receipts —Same day last year: Spirits turpentine, 10 casks; rosin, 102 barrels; tar, 211 barrels; crude turpentine (—) barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Steady, at 7¾c.; quotation same day last year, nominal.

Receipts—874 bales; same day last year, 1,110 bales.

Total receipts since September 1st, to date, 149,640 bales.

Total receipts to same day last year, 350,603 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, Feb. 23.

Atlantic Coast Line—249 bales cotton; 32 barrels tar; 2 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—625 bales cotton; 116 barrels tar.

Atlantic City—5 casks spirits turpentine; 22 barrels rosin; 14 barrels tar.

Total — 874 bales cotton; 5 casks spirits turpentine; 22 barrels rosin; 162 barrels tar; 2 barrels crude turpentine.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Feb. 23.)

CORN—$2.10 per sack.

PEAS—Black eyed peas, $2.50 per bu.; cow peas, market not open.

POTATOES — Irish potatoes, 80@85c. per bu. Sweet potatoes, yams, 85@90c. per bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c.; good sales.

PORK—Small, 8@10c per lb.

SHEEP—Out of season.

WOOL—Burry, 14 to 15c.; black wool, 16 to 17c.; first-class white wool, 21c. free, 20@21c. per lb.

HIDES—Green salt, 23c.; dry flints, 17c. per lb.; good demand.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 20c.; sides and shoulders, 15c. lb.; very dull; no sales.

BEESWAX—Firm, 25c. per lb.; dull.

POULTRY — Chickens, grown, 40@45c. Spring, 15@20c. per head; very dull. Turkeys, 15c.; very dull.

EGGS—18c., per doz.; very dull.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 20. — Spanish: Farmers' stock; market, steady, 82½c. per bu.

Virginias — Farmers' Stock; market, steady. Fancy Jumbo, 3¾c. per lb.; Fancy Hand-Picked, 3½c. per lb.; Extra Prime, 3¼c. per lb.; Shelling Stock, 2¼c. to 2¾c. per lb.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Feb. 23. — North Carolina Peanuts — Market, steady; new crop, fancy hand-picked, 75c.; No. 1, machine picked, 65c. per bu.

Virginia Peanuts—Steady, New crop Jumboes, 60c; fancy hand picked, 55c; No. 1, small, machine picked, 50c. per bushel.

Spanish Peanuts—Steady. New crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, 85c.; Jumbos, 75c. per bu. All receipts, heavier.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Chicago, Feb. 23. — Hogs—Weak. Bulk, 6.55@6.65; light, 6.50@6.70; mixed, 6.40@6.65; heavy, 6.15@6.65; rough, 6.15@6.30; pigs, 5.50@6.75.

Cattle—Strong. Native steers, 5.50@8.75. Cows and heifers, 3.50@7.85. Calves, 7.00@10.50.

Sheep—Strong. Sheep, 6.75@7.80; yearlings, 7.50@8.25; lambs, 7.75@9.20.

FRESH SELLING IN STOCKS

Professional Selling on the Market Prompted Renewal of General Selling Movement

New York, Feb, 23.—Professional selling prompted mainly by further unfavorable foreign developments, provoked fresh selling of securities on the resumption of operations today. There was a comparatively large accommulation of orders over the double holiday, no inconsiderable part of which emanated from out town sources, with an admixture of European offerings. This latter phase of the situation was most noticeable in the bond department, where numerous sales for "future delivery" at concessions were effected.

The overhanging fear of international complications was plainly reflected in the several markets for exchange, most of which were again demoralized and in favor of this country. Remittances to London did not decline to last week's low point, but exchange on Paris, Berlin, Rome and Geneva were quoted at unprecedented prices.

The selling in this market began at the outset and was maintained for the greater part of the session. Many of the principal shares made their lowest prices for the current movement and a number of new minimums were made. Baltimore and Ohio common and preferred, S. A. L. preferred, Southern Railway preferred, New Haven and Chesapeake and Ohio, were among the stocks to fall to latest established quotations.

Most of the specialties fell from 1 to over 5 points. United States Steel was again steadiest of the speculative favorites, despite the large overturn. Anthracite shares were weakest of the high priced railers, with a revival of rumors affecting dividened stability.

Almost the only encouraging news of the day came from the West where general conditions pointed to an increase of business. This was offset, however, by another sharp drop in grains.

Weakeness in the cotton market accounted for the Southern issues heaviness. Loss in some of the investment bonds ranged from 1 to 2 points with a large volume of trading. Total sales, par value aggregated $2,535,000.

United States government bonds were unchanged on call.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Amalgamated Copper	51¼
American Agricultural	B. 48
American Can	25⅞
American Car and Foundry	40½
American Cities, pfd . . . offered.	51½
American Cotton Oil	44
American Smelting	61
American Snuff	B.148
American Sugar	100⅞
American Tel. and Tel	118
American Tobacco	B.200
Atchison	92⅞
Atlantic Coast Line	102
Baltimore and Ohio	65
Canadian Pacific	156⅝
Central Leather	33
Chesapeake and Ohio	40
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	84
Erie	20⅝
General Electric	140
Great Northern, pfd	118
Illinois Central	103½
Interborough-Met., pfd	54
Kansas City Southern	B. 20⅞
Lehigh Valley	130
Louisville and Nashville	114
Liggett and Myers	205
Lorillard Co	170
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	10
Missouri Pacific	10½
Mexican Petroleum	63½
New York Central	82¾
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	45
Norfolk and Western	100⅝
Northern Pacific	100⅝
Pennsylvania	104
Reading	140⅞
Rep. Iron and Steel	19⅛
Rep. Iron and Steel, pfd	B. 76
Rock Island Co	⅞
Rock Island Co., pfd	1
St. L. and San Fran., 2nd pfd	B. 3¼
Seaboard Air Line	12½
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	34
Sloss-Sheff. Steel and Iron	B. 24
Southern Pacific	82⅝
Southern Railway	14
Southern Railway, pfd	45
Tennessee Copper	26¼
Texas Co	125
Texas and Pacific	12
Union Pacific	117½
United States Steel	41
United States Steel, pfd	103⅝
Utah Copper	50
Virginia-Caro. Chem	16½
Western Union	61
Bethlehem Steel	54⅝

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET.

New York, Feb. 23. — Raw sugar, firm. Molasses sugar, 4.00; centrifugal, 4.77; refined, steady.

Butter—Firm.

Cheese—Weak.

Coffee—Spot, quiet; Rio, No. 7, 7¾; Santos, No. 4, 9¾.

FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 23. — Mercantile paper, 3¼. Sterling exchange, weak; sixty day bills, 4.7850; for cables, 4.8025; for demand, 4.80.

Bar silver, 48¾. Mexican dollars, 37¼.

Government bonds, steady. Railroad bonds, weak. Time loans, sixty days, 2½@3; ninety days, 3; six months, 3¼@3½. Call money, steady; ruling rate, 2.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Feb. 23. — Spot cotton, easier; good middling, 5.27; middling, 4.97; low middling, 4.56; sales, 7,000; speculation and export, 1,000; receipts, 49,990. Futures, quiet. May-June, 4.84; June-July, 4.88; July-August, 4.92½; October-November, 5.04½; January-February, 5.11½.

NAVAL STORES MARKET.

Savannah, Feb. 23. — Turpentine, firm, 41½; sales, 514; receipts, 302; shipments, 292; stocks, 33,940.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, none; receipts, 1,492; shipments, 7,966; stocks, 129,215. Quote: A, B, 2.90; C, D, 3.02½; E, F, G, H, I, 3.05; K, 3.20; M, 4.00; N, 5.00; W G, 5.40; W W, 5.55.

Wilson, N. C., Feb. 23.—Monday night during the hour of the wedding at the Methodist church an automobile driven by a negro boy struck a horse hitched to a buggy and standing at the church, and the horse had to be killed. The boy stated that he was blinded by the lights of other machines parked about the church.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

February 24, 1915.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 56 degrees; at 8 P. M., 61 degrees; maximum, 66 degrees; minimum, 54 degrees; mean, 60 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall for the month, to date, 2.52 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. yesterday 3.1 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina — Showers Wednesday; Thursday, fair and cooler.

The Port Calendar, Feb. 24, 1915.

Sun rises	6:47 A.M.
Sun sets	6:03 P. M.
Day's length	11 hrs. 16 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	High water. P.M.	Low water. A.M.	Low water. P.M.
Wilmington	5:39	6:01	12:20	1:11
Southport	3:26	3:43	10:01	10:07
Masonboro Ini	3:15	3:32	9:41	9:47

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

February 23, 1915.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature Highest today.	Temperature Lowest last night.	Precipitation at 8 P. M.
Abilene	clear	56	30	.0
Asheville	rain	50	50	.20
Atlanta	rain	56	50	.68
Augusta	rain	60	54	.16
Birmingh.	cldy	58	52	.46
Boston	cldy	48	36	.0
Charleston	rain	60	52	.22
Charlotte	cldy	60	50	.08
Chicago	rain	50	40	.58
Galveston	clear	60	46	.0
Jacksonv.	cldy	—	58	.18
Memphis	cldy	46	42	.36
Mobile	cldy	66	54	.32
Montgom'y	rain	64	52	.44
New Orl	clear	66	60	.40
New York	cldy	50	38	.0
Oklahoma	clear	44	32	.0
Palestine	clear	56	42	.0
Pittsburg	rain	68	46	.04
Raleigh	rain	64	48	.16
Savannah	rain	62	54	.26
Shreveport	clear	56	42	.0
St. Louis	cldy	40	40	.38
Washing'n	rain	68	34	.0

FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM.

Subject of Debate at Elon College—Decided Inadequate.

(Special Staff Correspondence.)

Elon College, N. C., Feb. 23.—The new Federal Reserve Banking system suffered a serious relapse at the Clio Celebration here on Washington's Birthday evening, when a committee of three learned judges ,after listening for two hours at a discussion touching its merits and demerits decided that the negative had shown it not to be a solution of our financial situation.

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Lv. Petersburg	11:00a.m.	10:40p.m.
Lv. Durham	7:00a.m.	5:30p.m.
Lv. Lynchburg	2:45p.m.	2:30a.m.
Ar. Cincinnati	7:20a.m.	6:20a.m.
Ar. Columbus	6:45a.m.	7:00p.m.
Ar. Chicago	5:00p.m.	8:00a.m.
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SUBURBAN SCHEDUEL

In Effect October 12, 1914.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS.

EASTBOUND

Leave Front and Princess for Winter Park	Leave Front and Princess for Wrightsville	Leave Front and Princess for Beach
.....	.....	.....
a6:20 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.
.....	.....	.....
6:50 A.M.	6:50 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.
a7:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.
.....	.....	.....
10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.
1:10 P. M.	1:10 P. M.	1:10 P. M.
c1:55 P. M.	c1:55 P. M.	.....
cd2:35 P. M.	.....	.....
3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.
3:30 P. M.	.....	.....
c4:10 P. M.	.....	.....
4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.	4:30 P. M.
c4:50 P. M.	.....	.....
5:30 P. M.	5:30 P. M.	.....
6:10 P. M.	6:10 P. M.	.....
6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.
7:15 P. M.	7:15 P. M.	.....
8:15 P. M.	8:15 P. M.	.....
9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.
10:15 P. M.	10:15 P. M.	.....
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P. M.	.....

WEST BOUND

Leave Winter Park for	Leave Wrightsville for	Leave for for
Wilmington	Wilmington	Wilmington
a6:26 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
a7:31 A. M.	7:20 A. M.	.....
b7:58 A. M.	b7:45 A. M.	b7:35 A. M.
a8:51 A. M.	a7:50 A. M.	a7:40 A. M.
a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
9:35 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
b10:31A.M.	b10:20 A. M.	.....
11:06 A. M.	11:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.
12:36 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
2:01 P. M.	1:50 P. M.	c1:46 P. M.
c2:36 P. M.	c2:25 P. M.	.....
cd3:06P.M.	.....	.....
c3:50 P. M.	.....	.....
4:06 P. M.	3:55 P. M.	3:45 P. M.
c4:30 P. M.	.....	.....
c5:10 P. M.	.....	.....
5:36 P. M.	5:25 P. M.	5:15 P. M.
6:11 P. M.	6:00 P. M.	.....
6:51 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	.....
7:38 P. M.	7:22 P. M.	e7:15 P. M.
8:06 P. M.	7:55 P. M.	.....
8:56 P. M.	8:45 P. M.	.....
10:21 P. M.	10:10 P. M.	10:00 P. M.
10:56 P. M.	10:45 P. M.	.....
11:56 P. M.	11:45 P. M.	.....

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington. Effective Feb. 18, 1915.

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DEPARTURES:	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS:
No. 90. 3:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 51. * 6:25 A.M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Wilmington at and after 9:00 P. M. and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50. *12:45 A.M.
No. 64. ‡6:15 A.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and intermediate stations.	No. 65. ‡ 6:15 P.M.
No. 48. 7:40 A.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman service.	No. 49. * 6:05 P.M.
No. 53. * 8:45 A.M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52. * 8:05 P.M.
No. 62. * 3:25 P.M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and intermediate stations.	No. 63. *12:50 P.M.
No. 55. * 3:45 P.M.	Chadbourn, Florence, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida Points. Columbia, Asheville and the West. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta, and between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. *12:30 P.M.
No. 89. ‡ 6:30 P.M.	Fayetteville and Intermediate stations.	No. 80. ‡10:15 A.M.
No. 42. * 6:45 P.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars, between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41. * 9:30 A.M.

* Daily. ‡ Daily except Sunday. ‡ Tuesdays, Thursday and Saturdays.

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Ar. Atlanta	6:00A.M.	.....
Ar. Montgomery	11:30A.M.	.....
Ar. New Orleans	8:55P.M.	.....
Lv. Wilmington	3:45P.M.	5:25A.M.
Lv. Florence	7:55P.M.	9:40A.M.
Ar. Jacksonville	7:15A.M.	7:20P.M.
Ar Tampa	4:00P.M.	6:45A.M.
Ar. St. Petersburg	8:30P.M.	8:00A.M.
Ar. Fort Myers	10:20P.M.	12:05P.M.

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WOMAN KILLS SELF IN WASHINGTON MONUMENT

Jumped Into Elevator Shaft Very Near Top.

Fell Nearly Five Hundred Feet Down Shaft, Striking Against the Sides and Crushed Beyond Recognition at Bottom.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Mrs. W. F. Cockrell, of Delray, Va., jumped into the elevator shaft of the Washington Monument at a landing near the top late today and fell to the bottom, more than 500 feet below. She left a note addressed to her husband saying she was sure she could not recover from an illness.

Her body was crushed by striking the sides of the shaft on the way down and she was dead before reaching the bottom.

The District coroner issued a certificate of death by suicide. Mrs. Cockrell's farewell note, left in the monument, said she realized she was a "burden" to her husband.

It was the first time the towering obelisk, which was opened to the public in 1888, and has been visited by millions of Americans, had been the scene of suicide. An hour before the monument was closed for the day, Mrs. Cockrell went to the observation gallery near the top, in the elevator. A few minutes later she walked down to the third landing and clambered between the steel rails that separate the elevator shaft from the stairway. Miss Edna Rockefellon, of Takoma Park, Md., rushing to Mrs. Cockrell's side, clutched at her clothing. The dress gave way and Mrs. Cockrell plunged down the shaft.

A few hours earlier Mrs. Cockrell had gone with her husband to the office of a specialist on nerve troubles. She was 32 years old.

VON HINDENBURG'S SUCCESS COMPLETE

(Continued From Page One.)

before them but they were forced to turn three times to beat off the flank attacks from the south.

The Russian commander-in-chief made desperate efforts to come to the aid of this army. He sent in a column of troops from the fortress of Lomsea and from Kolno and from the fort at Ossowetz. Each time the German commander defeated the Russian relief columns and then continued his march.

The retreat of the Russians on this part of the field of operations could be made in only one direction, the northeast, as the swamp belt prevented their escape to the east or south.

The troops from the center and northern flank of the Russian position were by this time in full retreat eastward and southeastward under pressure from the pursuing German forces.

Part of Army Escaped.

The Russians apparently became desperately pammed and on February 16th the German commander was almost confident that the bag would be complete. Then came the delay in getting the flanking column across the swamps and General Sievers with all his higher officers and the remnant of his army, got away.

That the Russian commander was able under such road conditions to bring off as much artillery and transports as he did, is, in the opinion of German experts, a most laudable achievement.

A picturesque scene, reminding one of a canvas by the Russian painter Verestchagin, was witnessed on the trip between Augustowo and Suwalki. The road is cut like a canon for 20 miles through a dense Russian pine forest and it formed the only available avenue for the advance of the German troops. Along this road was a solid stream of infantry, artillery and wagon trains, usually in three columns moving irresistibly southward. The roadway was high pitched and slippery with ice. Smooth shod horses were continually falling. The infantry men picked their way along the sides of the road. Almost every man was equipped with a staff which seemed to have been copied from Verestchagin's painted soldiers.

Army 50 Miles Long.

There was no stop or pause. The soldiers ate as they marched. The horses were kept moving until they were through the woods as there was no place to turn out and halt. For many miles before Augustowo was reached the same ceaselessly moving columns of men, horses and guns had encountered—an army 50 miles long was on the march.

The German general army headquarters announced on February 18, two days before the foregoing dispatch was written, that 64,000 Russians had been captured in the battle of Mazurian Lakes in East Prussia. On February 23 the capture of 40,000 more prisoners was announced, bringing up the total to more than 100,000 men and including seven generals. Tuesday's Berlin official communication said that more than 300 Russian cannon had been taken by the Germans.

RELIEF COMMISSION DENIED SUBSIDY

(Continued from Page One.)

Had it not been for the stream of food supplies we sent into Belgium during the last four months the decimation of the people already would have set in. From one source or another of financing we have delivered into Belgium $15,000,000 worth of food and have another $12,000,000 worth on the way. Yet we have in our ships and our warehouses a supply far short of enough to tide over the people until the next harvest.

"The rise in the value of food and the gradual exhaustion of the native supply of meat and potatoes necessitates our acquiring the enormous gross income of $7,500,000 monthly in money or food of which $2,500,000 is required to feed the destitute whom we now have on hand and $5,000,000 of which is required to buy food for re-sale to those who can still pay. We have, with the good will of the various governments involved, and with the help of the Belgian banks and institutions more or less satisfactorily developed a method for converting the paper money which we received in Belgium for the sale of food into gold, and this department of provisioning is, we hope, about to find a solution.

"The destitute in Belgium are the wards of the world. There is no solution for their misery and hunger save charity. As we have as yet failed to secure the help of the governments in this department, we can but continue to appeal to the mercy of the people in every land."

Charters Issued

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 23—Charters were issued today for two new corporations as follows:

The Sargent Granite Co., of Mount Airy, capital $125,000 authorized and $1,000 subscribed by J. D. Sargent, A. S. Chapman and others for general quarry business.

The Samuel Watkins Department Store, Inc., of Henderson, capital $50,000 authorized and $25,000 subscribed by Samuel Watkins, Mrs. Rebecca G. Watkins and others for general mercantile business.

WILLARD-JOHNSON BOUT INDEFINATELY POSTPONED.

Whereabouts of Johnson Not Known. Will Not Let Him Enter Mexico.

El Paso, Tex., Feb. 23.—Promoters of the proposed fight between Jack Johnson and Jess Willard at Juarez today refused to divulge Johnson's whereabouts. It is considered probable, however, that Johnson has sailed from Havana for some Mexican port, possibly Manzanillo, reported about to fall into Villa's hands.

It is understood that General Carranza has ordered that Johnson be prevented from entering his lines on the ground that he is a fugitive from justice in the United States.

Willard today stated that he would discontinue training until Johnson appeared at Juarez for the bout which was postponed indefinitely from March 6th. It also was announced that the bout would not take place for at least a week after the arrival of Johnson.

It has been suggested that should Johnson be en route from Havana to Manzanillo as reported he would avoid the Panama Canal Zone by crossing Guatemala overland.

A trip by that route would require a fortnight.

Germans Sneaking Back, After Planting Underground Bomb Near the French Trenches

This photograph shows German soldiers sneaking back from a tunnel which led them near the French trenches. A score or more of them dug their way in the direction in which their guns pointed, just in front of the butt of the tree seen in the background, all the way, a quarter of a mile or more, to the French trenches and there planted bombs that could be touched off by electricity when the Frenchmen could be lured to the ground. The two men coming from the trenches were the leaders of twenty more, yet in the deep, dark hole. They had to sneak so the enemy would not see them coming from the hole. Their guns were left in place, that the French might think a man was behind each. In fact, this particular trench might have been taken while the Germans were digging underground, had the enemy known it.

SUBURBANITES WILL STAND PAT IN FIGHT

Committee Wire Request to Representative Stacy.

Statement To Public Issued Last Night, Setting Forth Grounds for Demand That Legislature Name Their Councilman

Declaring that the right upon which they insist was born in a baptism of blood and fire in 1775, the committee representing the residents of the territory included in the proposed new sixth ward, following a meeting held last night, forwarded to Representative W. P. Stacy at Raleigh a night letter asking that he stand firm in the position that he has taken in demanding that the Legislature name the Councilman from the new Sixth Ward, to be created by the extension of the city limits, to serve until the next general election.

The committee also issued a signed statement to the people of Wilmington, setting forth their side of the matter, and explaining the grounds upon which they ask for representation on Council from the time the annexation bill is passed until they shall have had an opportunity to elect their own Councilman, and also their reasons for insisting that the Legislature name their man, rather than leave the selection of the Councilman to City Council, as Senator W. B. Cooper desires to do.

The following is the night letter sent to Representative Stacy:

"Hon. W. P. Stacy,
House of Representatives,
Raleigh, N. C.

"Much pressure being brought to bear to compromise question of Councilman for proposed sixth ward. We only asked for the right to choose our own representative, and it is our further wish that we be represented from the passage of the bill and that the bill be effective from its passage; We stand united on this platform and we respectfully ask that you stand openly and steadfastly for the wishes of the large constituency which you represent in New Hanover county living in the territory affected. The right upon which we insist was born in a baptism of fire and blood in 1775. Copy of this furnished local papers.

"ROBERT RUARK,
"Chairman."

The statement issued by the committee is as follows:

"To the People of Wilmington:

"Several articles appearing in the local papers recently relative to the annexation of the suburbs and creating a new Sixth Ward, suggest that Mr. Stacy do anything necessary to extend the city limits, except that which is satisfactory to the residents of the proposed annexed territory.

"For the information of those who are not informed, we beg to submit:

"At a meeting of the new charter committee, composed of committees from City Council, and the Chamber of Commerce, we agreed as a compromise, that we would withdraw any and all demands for guarantees as to sewerage, water, lights, fire and police protection streets, etc., that had been previously made, and would not resist annexation, provided a new sixth ward was created of all territory east of 14th street thereby giving us representation.

"We pursuaded Mr. W. D. McCaig to allow his name suggested to represent us until the election. We had petitions signed by a considerable majority of the voters of the new sixth ward, endorsing him, and sent to Representative Stacy, copy to Senator Cooper, asking them to name Mr. McCaig in the bill. Senator Cooper returned the petition.

"We made an agreement in good faith that we are willing to abide by, and will not recede from our position, but if we have to fight for that which was agreed upon as a compromise, we will not feel bound by our compromise agreement. Mr. Cooper compares the appointing of special deputy sheriffs by the County Commissioners with the selection of a representative from the new sixth ward by Council, one, the authority to employ a special policeman, the other the naming of a representative of the people. one a purely ministerial officer, for whose conduct a surety bond is responsible, the other a legislative officer, clothed with authority to legislate locally for 35,000 people.

"Mr. Cooper and Mr. Stacy represent the people of New Hanover county. We have not asked either of the gentlemen in Raleigh to do anything inconsistent with the will of the people and pure Democracy, and this is the opinion of poor suburbanites, as well as the "rich and the wise."

ROBERT RUARK,
"Chairman."

PRESENT FROM MISS LEE.

Plate of George Washington Dinner Set Given Miss Margaret Wilson.

Miss Mary Custis Lee, daughter of Robert E. Lee, has presented to Miss Margaret Wilson, for the White House collection of Presidential chinaware, a plate of the George Washington dinner set. It is one of a set presented to General and Mrs. Washington by American officers of the Society of the Cincinnati, founded at Annapolis in 1783 by American and French officers who served in the revolution. General Washington was the society's first president.

The plate, considered in many respects the most valuable piece in the collection because it is better known than any of the other Washington relics, is of Cantonese ware with blue mottled border and gold lines and bearing in the center the figure of Fame holding aloft the insignia of the Society of the Cincinnati.

Don't forget The Star's Page of Presidents which is to appear next Tuesday. You will find it very interesting. Tear out the page from The Star and preserve it for reference. The $25 gold cash prize will buy a nice present. Yes, it will purchase a lady's or gentleman's Suit—Easter Suit.

PRINCETON 'VARSITY TEAM RESPONDS TO FIRST CALL.

Princeton, N. J., Feb. 23.—Nearly 50 candidates, including seven members of last year's 'Varsity, responded today to the first call for the Princeton baseball team.

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How To Get Relief When Head and Nose are Stuffed Up.

Count fifty. Your cold in head or catarrh disappears. Your clogged nostrils will open, the air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more snuffling, hawking, mucous discharge, dryness or headache; no struggling for breath at night.

Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist and apply a little of this fragrant antiseptic cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage of the head, soothing and healing the swollen or inflamed mucous membrane, giving you instant relief. Head colds and catarrh yield like magic. Don't stay stuffed-up and miserable. Relief is sure.

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ROUTE NO. 2 — BEGINNING AT 7:15 this morning, Jitney 'Bus will operate on Fourth street, from Red Cross to Greenfield street. fe24-1t

ROUTE NO. 3.—WILL BE ANNOUNCed tomorrow or Friday. Jitney 'Bus Company. fe24-1t

NOTICE — A SPLENDID FARM, WITH new building, located on public road near Wallace, known as the P. S. Carr farm, will sell on easy terms or big reduction for all cash. Contains 61 acres; near church and school; fine state cultivation. Also three other farms near Atkinson, N. C., located on public roads, near schools and churches. Nice building on each of them; from 15 to 30 acres, in high state of cultivation; from 50 to 200 acres in each. Apply to W. H. Lewis, Atkinson, Pender County, N. C. fe24-2t*

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LOST — FEBRUARY 23RD, BETWEEN A. C. L. general offices and Fifth and Orange streets, Knights Templar and Chapter charm. Suitable reward, if returned to "Owner," care Star office. fe24-1t*

AUTOMOBILE AT SACRIFICE. OAKland Roadster, 30 horse-power, 1912 model. Will sell for $200 to quick buyer. Address "Oakland," care Star. fe24-2t*

JUST ARRIVED — NICE CLEAN mackerel, 3 for 25c.; canned corn, tomatoes, peas, snap beans, pork and beans, tomato catsup, any assortment 3 for 25c; best butter, 3 pounds, $1. 'Phone 672. Cape Fear Cash Grocery Co. fe24-1t

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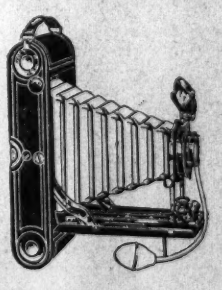

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